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## **TOWN OFFICERS**

1957

### **Board of Selectmen**

LAWRENCE DREW, Chairman	Term Expires	1959
GILBERT M. LOTHROP, Secretary	" "	1958
JAMES E. CALVIN	" "	1960

### **Board of Public Welfare**

NEWELL H. MORTON, Chairman	Term Expires	1959
DANIEL L. CHAMBERLAIN	" "	1958
DONALD C. McKIE	" "	1960
QUINCY B. PARK, Welfare Agent		
GLADYS M. WILSON, Social Worker		

### **Bureau of Old Age Assistance**

NEWELL H. MORTON, Chairman	Term Expires	1959
DONALD C. McKIE	" "	1960
DANIEL L. CHAMBERLAIN	" "	1958
QUINCY B. PARK, Director		
VIRGINIA C. SMITH, Social Worker		

### **Board of Assessors**

HAROLD B. CURRELL, Chairman	Term Expires	1959
RALPH T. HORN, Secretary	" "	1958
WILLIAM T. FAIRCLOUGH	" "	1960

### **Town Counsel**

CARL H. AMON, JR.

### **Town Clerk**

BOYD H. STEWART

### **Treasurer**

PRESTON F. NICHOLS

### **Moderator**

KENNETH C. LATHAM

### **Town Accountant**

BOYD H. STEWART

### **Town Collector**

WILLIAM E. MORRISON

### **Personnel Board**

WILLIAM F. MURPHY, Chairman  
RALPH G. SIAS  
LAWRENCE E. MacLEOD  
BOYD H. STEWART, Secretary

### **Director, Veterans' Service — Veterans' Benefits Agent**

CHARLES W. H. SMITH



### Board of Public Works

KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman	Term Expires	1958
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary	" "	1960
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.	" "	1958
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.	" "	1959
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.	" "	1960

### Board of Health

CHARLES R. BAISLEY, M.D., Chairman	Term Expires	1959
CHRISTINE F. PARKER, Secretary	" "	1960
EDWARD M. HALLIGAN, M.D.	" "	1958

### Finance Committee

WILLIAM H. DOLBEN, Chairman	Term Expires	1959
WALTER M. FOWLER	" "	1959
ERNEST E. GALLANT	" "	1958
CLEMENT T. GLEASON	" "	1960
ROBERT D. GOODOAK	" "	1960
JOHN R. KAY	" "	1958
DUDLEY B. KILLAM	" "	1959
SAMUEL J. MALONE	" "	1958
PAUL MICH	" "	1960
GEORGE E. MILLNER	" "	1959
WILLIAM F. MURPHY	" "	1960
CARL B. PITMAN	" "	1959
FREDERICK F. STEVENSON	" "	1958
EMERSON A. WILLARD	" "	1958
ALFRED R. JOHNSON	" "	1960

### School Committee

ROBERT E. TURNER, Chairman	Term Expires	1960
ROBERT F. PERRY, Secretary	" "	
PHILIP R. WHITE	" "	1959
WILLIAM E. BURPEE	" "	1960
BARBARA WINKLER	" "	1958
PAUL R. BERGHOLTZ	" "	1958
NEWELL H. MORTON	" "	1959

#### School Physician

ROBERT W. WAKELING, D.O.

#### Superintendent of Schools

ROBERT F. PERRY

#### Attendance Officer

ROBERT A. GRUNDY

#### School Nurse

MARGARET B. CLEWLEY

### Municipal Light Board

PHILLIP G. WILLCOX, Chairman	Term Expires	1959
PHILIP O. AHLIN, JR., Secretary	" "	1960
WINFRED F. SPURR	" "	1958

### Board of Registrars

ROBERT S. RALSTON, Chairman	Term Expires	1959
JOHN J. WALSH, Secretary	" "	1958
LOUIS BACIGALUPO	" "	1960
BOYD H. STEWART, Clerk		

### Board of Cemetery Trustees

EDOUARD N. DUBE, Chairman	Term Expires	1960
M. RUSSELL MEIKLE, Secretary	" "	1959
WILLIAM P. PIERPONT	" "	1958
STANLEY F. MAXWELL	" "	1958
ERNEST E. BROWN	" "	1960
LAWRENCE A. PARTELOW	" "	1959

### Planning Board

EDWARD W. BATTEN, Chairman	Term Expires	1959
WILLIAM D. SOMMERS, Secretary	" "	1960
W. FRANKLIN BURNHAM, JR.	" "	1958
ROBERT G. CLINCH	" "	1958
*BENJAMIN M. HARTSHORN, JR.	" "	1959
†C. DEWEY SMITH	" "	1958

### Board of Library Trustees

KATHERINE C. PIERCE, Chairman	Term Expires	1960
H. IRENE LATHAM, Secretary	" "	1959
ROBERT E. STEWART	" "	1960
C. NELSON BISHOP	" "	1958
SYDNEY M. HODSON	" "	1958
*NEIL C. ROBINSON	" "	1959
†WILLIAM H. DIAMOND	" "	1958

### Commissioners of Trust Funds

JOSEPH B. IVERSON, Chairman	Term Expires	1963
H. RAYMOND JOHNSON	" "	1961
ERNEST S. JOHNSON	" "	1959
Town Treasurer and Chairman of Selectmen members ex-officiis		

### Board of Appeal

GERALD E. FOSBROKE, Chairman	Term Expires	1960
PHILIP R. WHITE, JR., Secretary	" "	1959
ERNEST L. NIGRO	" "	1958

### Associate Members Board of Appeal

JOSEPH D. CAHILL	Term Expires	1958
ROBERT S. TOPERZER	" "	1960

<b>Sealer of Weights and Measures</b>	<b>Inspector of Milk and Foods</b>
CARL M. SMITH	CARL M. SMITH

### Inspector of Plumbing

KENNETH G. SHAW

**Inspector of Animals**

GARDINER A. LESTER, D.V.M.

**Inspector of Buildings**

HAROLD B. CURRELL

**Game Warden**

JAMES T. PUTNAM

**Superintendent of Moth Work**

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

**Dog Officer**

WILLIAM H. DEWSNAP

**Tree Warden**

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

**Custodian of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves**

HAROLD F. DAVIS

**Constables**

WILLIAM H. DEWSNAP

ARTHUR L. HARRIS

**Insurance Committee**

Consists of Board of Selectmen, Town Treasurer and Chairman of Finance Committee

**Contributory Retirement Board**

DONALD C. MITCHELL, Chairman      BOYD H. STEWART, Secretary  
ARTHUR C. ALDRICH

**Law Committee**

Consists of Chairmen of the following Boards:

Board of Selectmen

Board of Assessors

Board of Health

Board of Public Works

School Committee

Board of Public Welfare

Municipal Light Board

**Personnel of Police Department**

**Chief**

ROLAND E. ELLIS

**Lieutenant**

JOHN F. BEAUDOIN

**Sergeants**

THOMAS J. FITZPATRICK

WILLIAM H. FAULKNER

EDWARD M. HUBBARD

JOHN L. POWER

**Inspector**

WILLIAM H. DEWSNAP

## Patrolmen

FRANK R. FISHER  
JOSEPH M. GREENE  
FREDERICK J. KEEFE  
WILLIAM J. WEBB, JR.  
PHILLIP N. CAIL  
FRED GRANELLI  
EVAN P. EDWARDS  
ROBERT A. CASTINE  
PAUL J. MURPHY

HAROLD W. O'BRIEN  
PATRICK J. PANTANO  
WINFRED A. MacDONALD  
JOHN A. BILICKI  
HERBERT G. PERRY  
JOSEPH W. CORMIER  
ROBERT E. MARCHAND  
BRIAN F. DESMOND  
BERNARD PAIVA

ROBERT M. MOORE

## Clerk

J. ROBERT CLARK

## Special Police Officers

ELMER F. YOUNG	Memorial High School
WILLIAM J. BROUSSARD	Memorial High School
DANIEL J. WHITE	Memorial High School
VINCENT SERRENTINO	Memorial High School
STUART R. NICHOLS	Memorial High School
REGINALD W. SOUTHARD	Memorial High School
FRED REISSLE	Junior High School
ANDREW J. LOMAX	Junior High School
FRED GIBSON	Junior High School
ROBERT A. VARS	Joshua Eaton School
HENRY GROMYKO	Joshua Eaton School
JOHN B. MILLER	Highland School
EDWARD F. HARRISON	Birch Meadow School
ROY J. BROGAN	Pearl Street School
DANIEL J. BUCKLEY	Reading Community Center
RALPH PLOUFF	Methodist Church
QUINCY B. PARK	Welfare Department
HENRY O. BALLOU	Municipal Bldg., Masonic Bldg., Sanborn Apts.
EDWARD TEER	Library
WILLIAM G. HENDERSON	Middlesex County National Bank
JAMES T. PUTNAM	Public Works
JOHN H. VANDENBERG	Reading Rifle and Revolver Club
DONALD E. FLORENCE	Reading Rifle and Revolver Club
WILLIAM H. MILLER	Public Works
JOHN D. LOUANIS	Water and Sewer Pumping Station, Town Forest
ARTHUR G. REES	Victory House
ROBERT P. SMITH	Victory House
HARRY A. TURNER	Baptist Church
RALPH E. WILSON	V.F.W. Quarters
J. ROBERT CLARK	Police Station
DUNCAN STANLEY	Police Station
HAROLD F. DAVIS	Cemeteries
HUGH L. EAMES	Fire Department

JAMES H. MADDEN	St. Agnes Church
HAMILTON H. GAW	School Traffic Control
FRED H. DODGE	School Traffic Control
FRANK C. MITCHELL	School Traffic Control
CHARLES DOUCETTE	School Traffic Control
EDWARD F. HURLEY, JR.	School Traffic Control
DONALD MCGILLVEARY	School Traffic Control
PHILLIP J. MILES	School Traffic Control
RALPH B. WILLIAMS	School Traffic Control

## **Reading Fire Department**

### **Permanent Firefighters**

Chief, HUGH L. EAMES

Deputy Chief, JAMES S. PERRY

Captain, HERBERT L. ROBERTSON	HERBERT J. HUTCHINSON
Captain, GEORGE W. GOODRIDGE	RUSSELL E. CARTER
Captain, DONALD C. MITCHELL	GERALD W. HUMPHREY
CLIFFORD E. LITCHFIELD	ELMER W. MOORE
LESLIE C. HADLEY	THEODORE W. TURNER, JR.
ROBERT W. SHANNON	NELSON F. ANDREWS
ELMER A. DYKENS, JR.	RONALD D. MICHELINI
WILLIAM R. VAN HORN	FREDERICK E. LIVINGSTONE
ROBERT H. THOMAS	DONALD L. MICHELINI
RICHARD D. BROWN	§VICTOR H. CAIL
ROBERT W. PRATT	§GEORGE L. TURNER
LESLIE L. HADLEY	§ERNEST G. BABCOCK, JR.

### **Call Firefighters**

JOSEPH ARSENAULT	EARL W. HOBART
HENRY O. BALLOU	IVAR F. JOHNSON
DANIEL J. BUCKLEY	RALPH E. NICKERSON
EVERETT G. CARROLL	HERMAN L. RIESSLE
§THOMAS R. CROSWELL	GEORGE G. ROGERS
JOHN F. ENOS	F. LIONEL SPRINGFORD
DeMELLE G. GAREY	JOHN A. SPURR
JAMES R. GAW	ERNEST R. WATSON

Dispatcher, DUNCAN H. STANLEY

### **Supt. of Fire Alarm**

HUGH L. EAMES

### **Forest Warden**

HUGH L. EAMES

### **Deputy Forest Wardens**

Deputy Chief, JAMES S. PERRY	Captain, DONALD C. MITCHELL
Captain, HERBERT L. ROBERTSON	Captain, GEORGE W. GOODRIDGE
JOHN A. SPURR	MAURICE H. DONEGAN
JAMES T. PUTNAM	

**Inspector of Wires**  
JAMES F. O'DOWD

**Measurers of Lumber**

HAROLD B. CURRELL  
FRED F. SMITH  
MAURICE H. DONEGAN

**Measurers of Wood and Bark**

MAURICE H. DONEGAN  
HAROLD B. CURRELL  
THOMAS E. BROGAN

**Field Drivers**

JAMES T. PUTNAM  
RONALD WINSLOW

**Fence Viewers**

WENDELL B. NEWELL  
WARREN F. CHARLES

**Weighers of Coal and Hay**

THOMAS E. BROGAN  
MABEL L. MacKAY  
BERTHA L. MacLELLAN  
DONALD FUNK  
WENDELL B. NEWELL

**Committee on Elm Tree Protection**

MAURICE H. DONEGAN  
JOHN F. SAWYER  
MARION V. HARRINGTON

**Committee on Town Forests**

MAURICE H. DONEGAN  
Term Expires 1960  
JAMES T. PUTNAM  
" " 1959  
HUGH L. EAMES  
" " 1958

**Capital Expenditures Planning Committee**

\*LAWRENCE A. CATE, Chairman  
W. FRANKLIN BURNHAM, JR.  
STANLEY F. MAXWELL, Secretary  
JOHN B. HARKER  
ERNEST E. GALLANT  
\*BENJAMIN M. HARTSHORN  
SAMUEL J. MALONE

**Recreation Committee**

HERBERT M. RIXON, Chairman  
RICHARD D. GALE  
C. SUMNER TEEL, Secretary  
NEWELL H. MORTON  
ALBERT J. CHISHOLM  
WILLIAM H. WILLSON, JR.  
H. LEE DONLEY  
BARBARA WINKLER  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

**Salvage Committee**

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

\*Resigned

‡Appointed to fill vacancy

§Appointed

## STATISTICS

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Area, 10 square miles

Population, census of 1955, 16,440

Registered Voters: Precinct 1, 1974; Precinct 2, 2442; Precinct 3, 1780;  
Precinct 4, 2708; total 8904

Eighth Congressional District

Sixth Councillor District

Seventh Middlesex Senatorial District

Eighteenth Middlesex Representative District

Fourth District Court of Eastern Middlesex held in Woburn

Representative in Congress, 8th District, Torbert H. Macdonald, Malden

Councillor 6th District, Joseph R. Crimmins, Somerville

Senator 7th Middlesex District, Charles E. Ferguson, Lexington

Representatives 18th Middlesex District, Frank D. Tanner, Reading and  
Thomas F. Donohue, Woburn



**TOWN OF READING**  
**List of Jurors for 1957-1958**

Name	Occupation	Residence
Abley, Edward C., Salesman		241 Pearl St.
Adams, Robert W., Proprietor		57 Wescroft Rd.
Ainsworth, Donald M., Merchant		3 Beacon St.
Aitkins, Reginald C., Machinist and Technician		20 Dana Rd.
Alexander, Jack K., Industrial Engineer		400 South St.
Allen, Robert W., Jr., Truck Driver	214	Van Norden Rd.
Alonzo, William, Technician		12 Beverly Rd.
Ames, Willard C., Staff Assistant		36 Parkman Rd.
Anderson, Charles P., Salesman		8 Puritan Rd.
Andrews, Donald L., Clerk		34 Winslow Rd.
Asmussen, Frederick A., Accountant		100 Woburn St.
Aucella, Thomas A., Carpet Installer		14 Crosby Rd.
Awde, Robert A., Mechanical Designer		11 Spring St.
Axtman, William H., Oil Burner Service Supervisor		306 Ash St.
Aylward, James R., Loftsmen		20 Susan Dr.
Bagocius, Frank J., Millhand		163 County Rd.
Bailey, Bernard C., Clerk		71 Woburn St.
Baker, Arnold R., Builder		245 Pearl St.
Barker, Frank C., Director of Communications		34 Oak St.
Barnes, David H., Maint. Electrician		89 Ash St.
Bartlett, Willard D., Jr., Insurance		287 Woburn st.
Batting, Frances S., Housewife		137 Prospect St.
Beninati, Joseph W., Truck Driver		17 Lincoln St.
Benjamin, Walter P., Auditor		14 Grove St.
Bergholtz, Marjorie R., Housewife		20 Puritan Rd.
Bergholtz, Paul R., District Manager		20 Puritan Rd.
Berninger, Melvin V., Supervisor		16 Grand St.
Berry, James O., Jr., Tool Planner		4 Tower Rd.
Birdsall, Robert C., Repairman		131 Forest St.
Blake, John H., Salesman		12 Haverhill St.
Blanchard, Winona M., Cashier	14	Middlesex Ave.
Blunt, George R., Clerk		33 King St.
Bottelsen, John F., Shipper		9 Brook St.
Boyd, Stanley W., Jr., Electrical Engineer		109 Oak St.
Brackett, David H., Salesman		155 Forest St.
Braun, James E., Asst. Serv. Mgr.		16 Lothrop Rd.
Brissenden, Harold S., Jr., Pipefitter		3 Gardner Rd.
Bronk, Frank H., Salesman		11 Larch Lane
Buffett, Francis E., Mach. Oper.		17 Wilson St.
Burns, Gertrude E., Adm. Asst.		253 South St.
Burt, John J., Telegrapher		675 Haverhill St.
Cahill, James, Instr. Maint.		129 Woburn St.
Cain, David A., Jr., Shipper		170 Green St.
Chandler, Clarence I., Jr. Eng.		412 South St.
Chapman, Lloyd E., Mech. Engineer		41 Forest St.



Cleary, Raymond H., Store Manager	8 Palmer Hill Ave.
Clough, Philip J., Research Chemist	16 Gardner Rd.
Cogger, Harold W., Salesman	23 Meadow Brook Lane
Coldwell, Emerson J., Sales Engineer	38 Tamarack Rd.
Cotreau, Delmar D., Salesman	35 Pierce St.
Cressinger, H. Grant, Proc. Analyst	33 Selfridge Rd.
Cullen, John E., Jr., Supervisor	877 Main St.
Cullen, Walter J., Sales Engineer	9 Meadow Brook Lane
Cutler, Chester T., Manager	218 West St.
Dacey, Charles R., Insurance Broker	62 Oak Ridge Rd.
Daley, Russell, Foreman	16 Winter St.
Danforth, Everett D., Real Estate and Ins. Broker	93 Salem St.
Davis, Ralph B., Supervisor	65 Grove St.
Day, Joshua T., Jr., Salesman	64 Berkeley St.
Dean, Warren M., Sales Representative	15 Pennsylvania Ave.
DePatie, Ronald D., Machinist	629 Pearl St.
DiDonato, James C., Stat. Engineer	8 B Street
Dodge, Elmer F., Shop Supt.	83 Libby Ave.
Dolben, Alfred H., Realtor	17 Bond St.
Drury, Olga F., Housewife	57 Harrison St.
Dubois, Ernest J., Electrical Engineer	9 Tennyson Rd.
Dunlea, Robert A., Mason	15 Longwood Rd.
Eastman, Arthur B., Bank Clerk	5 Wells Rd.
Eastman, Earle, Retired	2 Waverly Rd.
Etling, Fred R., Parts Engineer	235 Walnut St.
Farris, Robert H., Engineer	12 Fremont St.
Fillmore, Edward C., Stock Clerk	125 Main St.
Fowler, Walter M., Real Estate Salesman & Ins.	38 Fairmount Rd.
Franklin, Paul A., Tool Maker	13 Winthrop Ave.
Frazier, John L., Supervisor	103 Green St.
Freese, John B., Jr., Accountant	31 Selfridge Rd.
Furber, Elbridge N., Photostat Operator	4 County Rd.
Galvin, Thomas F., Construction Supt.	20 Fairmount Rd.
Gardner, Walter L., Business Agent	9 Essex St.
Geder, Rudolph B., Gauger	39 Cross St.
Gibson, Meredith H., Salesman	24 Overlook Rd.
Gillespie, Charles H., Shipper	160 Hopkins St.
Godfrey, Charles L., Treasurer	32 Scotland Rd.
Goodoak, Robert D., Mechanical Engineer	15 Evergreen St.
Hackett, Joseph T., Accountant	217 Lowell St.
Hall, Stanley A., Asst. Engineer	1130 Main St.
Halligan, Edward B., Dist. Super.	34 John Carver Rd.
Hanson, Clarence F., Retired	22 Middlesex Ave.
Harding, Robert F., Insurance	152 Oak St.
Haynes, Whitcomb, General Supt.	10 Orchard Park Dr.
Higden, Albert L., Supt.	251 Walnut St.
Hodges, Samuel H., Broker in Hides	10 California Rd.
Hodgkins, Otis P., Cashier and Bookkeeper	13 Hanscom Ave.

Hynes, Thomas J., Traffic Mgr.	23 Temple St.
Johnson, Ernest S., Vice-Pres. & Comptroller	22 Orchard Park Dr.
Johnson, William J., Poultry Man	468 West St.
Jones, Russell G., Corps. Pres.	47 Highland St.
Jones, Wilmot W., General Manager	3 Wescroft Rd.
Kean, Robert H., General Manager	79 County Rd.
Kellett, Walter G., Auditor	16 Hunt St.
Kenney, Fred C., Jr., Salesman	39 County Rd.
Kittredge, Allen S., Supervisor	15 Manning St.
Kittredge, Guy L., Jr., Engineer	89 Wakefield St.
Knox, James A., Salesman	12 Temple St.
Kyle, John W., Compositor	30 Whittier Rd.
Lander, William J., Salesman	88 Glenmere Circle
Libby, Henry T., Laboratory Technician	3 Evergreen Rd.
Lincoln, Elmer B., Asst. Manager	46 Glenmere Circle
Lloyd, Francis, Purchasing Agent	139 Woburn St.
Loring, J. Alden, Salesman	100 South St.
MacLeod, Lawrence E., Instrument Insp.	113 Longwood Rd.
Madden, Adelaide J., Housewife	228 Washington St.
Maddock, Samuel B., Poultry Salesman	26 John Carver Rd.
Marston, Woodbury S., Maint. Work	71 Cross St.
Martin, Earle D., C.P.A.	21 Copeland Ave.
Mason, Joseph F., Grinder	1 Condor Rd.
McCleery, Dorothy, Bank Teller	21 Colburn Rd.
McDermott, Frank P., Parking Manager	20 Vine St.
McDonald, Howard A., Optician	17 Springvale Rd.
McGrath, Edmund R., Sales Manager	63 Whittier Rd.
Merchant, Harry A., Jr., Purch. Agent	62 Scotland Rd.
Meuse, Theresa M., Matron	41 Winter St.
Mick, Eben W., Sheet Metal Supt.	1 Weston Rd.
Miller, Viola L., Housewife	47 Prescott St.
Mitchell, William B., Salesman	80 Washington St.
Moller, Edwin, Retired	75 Glenmere Circle
Morris, Margaret D., Clerk	130 Woburn St.
Mumley, Reginald E., Maint. Welder	13 High St.
Nelson, Anna M., Housewife	12 Lothrop Rd.
Newman, James E., Bank Clerk	14 Plymouth Rd.
Nichols, C. Harold, Engineer	28 Winslow Rd.
Paul, Gordon D., Accountant	69 Scotland Rd.
Penney, William C., Auto Dealer	55 Bear Hill Rd.
Peoples, Robert R., Chemical Engineer	241 Charles St.
Pinkham, Carl W., Jr., Engineer	33 Barrows Rd.
Plummer, Malcolm B., Structural Designer	18 School St.
Powers, Walter C., Test Leader	2 Whittier Rd.
Quinlan, John J., Jr., Asst. Pur. Agt.	38 Bear Hill Rd.
Regan, Frank J., Supervisor	183 Salem St.
Roberts, Harland M., Telegraph Operator	15 Glen Rd.

Roffi, Louis J., Foreman	307 Ash St.
Rogers, Hattie N., Housewife	119 Salem St.
Romano, Ferdinand J., Meat Cutter	54 Linden St.
Scott, Leon L., Radio Foreman	28 Pennsylvania Ave.
Searle, Donald P., Sales Engineer	26 Harrison St.
Selfridge, John E., Builder	88 Colburn Rd.
Sellers, Ralph E., Banker	17 Vale Rd.
Sewell, Henry M., R.E. & Ins.	86 West St.
Shoecraft, Charles W., Sales Manager	52 Hartshorn St.
Sias, Ralph G., Personnel Assistant	40 Federal St.
Smith, Carl Dewey, Insurance	110 Grove St.
Smith, Rober D. D., Sales Manager	28 Glen Rd.
Starkey, David C., Personnel Staff Specialist	16 Catherine Ave.
Steele, Robert P., Production Supervisor	56 Glenmere Circle
Stevens, Frank M., Life Insurance Agent	14 School St.
Stevens, Ralph E., Superintendent	160 Howard St.
Sutherland, Edward, Salesman	80 Bancroft Ave.
Swain, Raymond H., Electrical Engineer	428 South St.
Swanberg, Bertil R., Control Clerk	58 Lothrop Rd.
Swenson, George J., Payroll Auditor	297 Woburn St.
Tarbox, Robert W., Television Tech.	56 Prospect St.
Tassi, Attilio T., Truck Driver	158 Salem St.
Thomas, Albert C., P.O. Clerk	11 Ridge Rd.
Titcomb, Helen A., Housewife	68 Longfellow Rd.
Valido, Homer D., Salesman	15 Gardner Rd.
Viall, Jennie L., Housewife	175 Bancroft Ave.
Weeks, George F., Turret Lathe Supervisor	18 Timberneck Dr.
Zitzow, Harold P., Electronic Design Engineer	11 Oak St.

## ANNUAL TOWN ELECTION

Security Hall

March 4, 1957

Pursuant to the warrant and the Constable's return thereon, a Town election was held at the time and place specified in the Warrant.

In the absence of the Moderator, the Town Clerk, Boyd H. Stewart, called the meeting to order at 7:00 A.M. and asked for nominations for a moderator to act at this meeting.

Arthur L. Harris moved that Kenneth C. Latham be named Moderator to act at this meeting.

On motion of Arthur L. Harris it was voted that the nominations be closed.

On motion of Arthur L. Harris it was voted that the Town Clerk be instructed to cast one ballot for Kenneth C. Latham for Moderator to act at this meeting.

The Town Clerk then cast one ballot for Kenneth C. Latham to act as temporary Moderator, and declared him elected.

The warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk, when on motion of Arthur L. Harris, it was voted to dispense with the further reading of the warrant except the Constable's Return, which was then read by the Town Clerk.

The ballot boxes were examined by the Constable in charge and each found to be empty, and all registered 000.

The polls were declared open by Kenneth C. Latham, with the following results.

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Totals
<b>Moderator for one year</b>					
Kenneth C. Latham .....	600	826	669	978	3073
Blanks .....	57	71	55	60	243
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316
<b>Town Clerk for one year</b>					
Boyd H. Stewart .....	590	816	656	960	3022
Blanks .....	67	81	68	78	294
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316
<b>Selectman for three years</b>					
Joseph D. Cahill .....	202	244	165	264	875
James E. Calvin .....	446	643	548	755	2392
Blanks .....	9	10	11	19	49
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316

**Board Public Welfare for three years**

Donald C. McKie .....	551	780	638	909	2878
Blanks .....	106	117	86	129	438
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316

**Assessor for three years**

William T. Fairclough .....	369	571	501	723	2164
Brendan L. Hoyt .....	261	302	207	280	1050
Blanks .....	27	24	16	35	102
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316

**Treasurer for one year**

Preston F. Nichols .....	585	801	659	948	2993
Blanks .....	72	96	65	90	323
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316

**One Member****Municipal Light Board for three years**

Philip O. Ahlin, Jr. ....	196	411	337	305	1249
James L. Faden .....	177	127	125	196	625
Robert D. Goodoak .....	188	225	162	398	973
Blanks .....	96	134	100	139	469
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316

**Two Constables for three years**

William H. Dewsnap .....	564	794	644	931	2933
Arthur L. Harris .....	543	772	628	859	2802
Blanks .....	207	228	176	286	897
Totals .....	1314	1794	1448	2076	6632

**Two Members****Board of Public Works for three years**

Coleman J. Donahue .....	386	582	480	639	2087
Domenick Zanni, Jr. ....	460	611	507	674	2252
Lester W. Bowen .....	298	419	312	532	1561
Blanks .....	170	182	149	231	732
Totals .....	1314	1794	1448	2076	6632

**Board of Health for three years**

Christine F. Atkinson .....	576	787	649	929	2941
Blanks .....	81	110	75	109	375
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316

**Two Members****School Committee for three years**

William E. Burpee .....	457	673	564	833	2527
Robert E. Turner .....	508	733	618	849	2708
Daniel J. Brady .....	203	253	156	252	864
Blanks .....	146	135	110	142	533
Totals .....	1314	1794	1448	2076	6632

**Two Members****Board of Library Trustees for three years**

Katherine C. Pierce .....	488	671	570	838	2567
Robert E. Stewart .....	529	713	598	879	2719
William H. Diamond .....	157	239	180	171	747
Blanks .....	140	171	100	188	599
Totals .....	1314	1794	1448	2076	6632

**Two Members****Board of Cemetery Trustees for three years**

Ernest E. Brown .....	567	796	644	936	2943
Edouard N. Dube .....	548	754	643	889	2834
Blanks .....	199	244	161	251	855
Totals .....	1314	1794	1448	2076	6632

**Planning Board for three years**

William D. Sommers .....	544	764	639	919	2866
Blanks .....	113	133	85	119	450
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316

**Question**

"Shall chapter thirty-two B of the General Laws, authorizing any county, city, town or district to provide a plan of group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance, and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance for certain persons in the service of such county, city, town or district and their dependents, be accepted by this town?"

Yes .....	314	398	380	511	1603
No .....	133	203	145	207	688
Blanks .....	210	296	199	320	1025
Totals .....	657	897	724	1038	3316

**Precinct 1****Fifteen Town Meeting Members for three years**

Henry O. Ballou, 71 Green St. ....	462
Vivian W. Bliss, 194 Pleasant St. ....	403
William C. Bliss, 194 Pleasant St. ....	380



R. Tracy Eddinger, 40 Wakefield St. ....	443
William B. Herrick, 515 Summer Ave. ....	426
Herbert Mitchell, 156 Salem St. ....	452
Everett P. Packer, 271 Haven St. ....	409
A. Waldo Phinney, 61 Cross St. ....	435
Clifford P. Wadman, 66 Pearl St. ....	413
Ernest R. Watson, 16 Cedar St. ....	437
Charles Cacciola, 15 Torre St. ....	216
Marilyn J. Golon, 140 Green St. ....	296
Charles H. Howland, 24 Shackford Rd. ....	385
Daniel McBride, 23 Elliott St. ....	345
Albert Tine, 337 Ash St. ....	333
Philip R. White, Jr., 10 Fairmount Rd. ....	370
Barbara E. Winkler, 52 Pearl St. ....	393
Armand F. Wood, 5 Brook St. ....	355
Margery E. Wood, 5 Brook St. ....	309
Blanks .....	2593

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Total .....	9855
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#### **Two Town Meeting Members for one year**

Robert M. Graham, 72 Cross St. ....	497
Virginia Broadbent, 225 Charles St. ....	73
Blanks .....	744

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Total .....	1314
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#### **Town Meeting Member for two years**

William F. Campbell, Jr., 55 Salem St. ....	512
Blanks .....	145

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Total .....	657
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### **Precinct 2**

#### **Fifteen Town Meeting Members for three years**

G. Warren Cochrane, Jr., 26 County Rd. ....	620
Winthrop P. Frazier, 438 Summer Ave. ....	601
Arthur L. Harris, 59 Oak St. ....	687
Leon T. Hutchins, 175 Prescott St. ....	618
Grace C. Johnson, 22 Orchard Park Dr. ....	643
John B. Pacino, 111 Scotland Rd. ....	553
Charles L. Richardson, Jr., 418 Summer Ave. ....	675
William J. Tonks, 3 Copeland Ave. ....	568
Helen M. Towle, 22 West St. ....	572
Herbert C. Towle, 22 West St. ....	600
Emerson A. Willard, 56 Pine Ridge Rd. ....	619
Phillip G. Willcox, 20 Copeland Ave. ....	617
John B. Davis, Jr., 114 Prescott St. ....	516
William H. Dolben, Jr., 32 Copeland Ave. ....	599

James W. Killam, III, 340 Summer Ave. ....	602
Walter J. Kulakowski, 44 Oak St. ....	240
Herbert M. Rixon, 63 Oak Ridge Rd. ....	376
William M. Warren, 149 Walnut St. ....	521
Ronald A. Winslow, 315 Summer Ave. ....	591
Blanks .....	2637

Total .....	13455
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**One Town Meeting Member for one year**

Walter S Dasho, 18 Woburn St. ....	97
Richard C. Evans, 43 Springvale Rd. ....	451
Robert A. Grundy, 25 Lewis St. ....	227
Blanks .....	122

Total .....	897
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**Town Meeting Member for two years**

Fred C. Kenny, Jr., 39 County Rd. ....	745
Blanks .....	152

Total .....	897
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**Precinct 3**

**Fifteen Town Meeting Members for three years**

Stephen A. Abbott, 25 Prospect St. ....	602
Joshua T. Day, Jr., 64 Berkeley St. ....	609
John R. Kay, 50 Grand St. ....	591
Harry F. McRell, Jr., 14 Willow St. ....	579
Richard G. Moore, 40 Grand St. ....	591
Frederick S. Oliver, 89 Grand St. ....	588
George C. Ricker, 143 Willow St. ....	573
Dorothy F. Stevens, 14 School St. ....	595
Robert H. Verdi, 264 High St. ....	577
Francis G. Wall, 386 Lowell St. ....	565
Philip O. Ahlin, Jr., 263 Woburn St. ....	579
Willard D. Bartlett, Jr., 287 Woburn St. ....	572
Alfred H. Dolben, 17 Bond St. ....	606
John Nargis, 150 Prospect St. ....	64
Lauress T. Parkman, 43 Prospect St. ....	563
Blanks .....	2606

Total .....	10860
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**Two Town Meeting Members for one year**

Walter G. Kellett, 16 Hunt St. ....	582
Blanks .....	866

Total .....	1448
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**Two Town Meeting Members for two years**

Tracy C. Chandler, 94 Middlesex Ave. ....	573
Paul J. Murphy, 166 Woburn St. ....	544
Blanks .....	331
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Total .....	1448

**Precinct 4****Fifteen Town Meeting Members for three years**

C. Nelson Bishop, 55 Lowell St. ....	761
Lester W. Bowen, 1457 Main St. ....	662
Lawrence A. Cate, 264 Charles St. ....	706
Harold F. Davis, 17 Forest Glen Rd. ....	728
Edmund P. Drozek, 594 Pearl St. ....	495
Donald Higgins, 51 Grove St. ....	637
Thomas F. Maher, 273 Forest St. ....	472
Donald C. Mitchell, 22 Tennyson Rd. ....	624
Patrick J. Pantano, 36 Chestnut Rd. ....	514
James T. Putnam, 1027 Main St. ....	687
Anthony L. Rickley, 191 Lowell St. ....	433
William H. Willson, Jr., 55 Bancroft Ave. ....	612
Benjamin G. Beaudry, 48 Linden St. ....	261
Forest T. Benton, 4 Margaret Rd. ....	366
Paul R. Bergholtz, 20 Puritan Rd. ....	584
Gordon R. Berry, 35 Longfellow Rd. ....	420
John S. Blowney, 14 Parkman Rd. ....	174
Daniel L. Chamberlain, 380 Pearl St. ....	571
James B. Chambers, Sr., 126 Forest St. ....	313
Peter M. Cunningham, 186 Van Norden Rd. ....	308
James F. Galvin, 15 Winthrop Ave. ....	409
Elbridge W. Grover, 7 Woodland St. ....	388
George V. Hermann, 73 Longfellow Rd. ....	235
Patricia M. Howarth, 39 Intervale Terr. ....	339
Robert A. Muir, 20 Meadow Brook Lane ....	331
Carl W. Pinkham, Jr., 33 Barrows Rd. ....	528
Blanks .....	3012
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Total .....	15570

The polls were closed at 8:00 P.M. with the following results:

Whole number of votes cast — 3316.

The votes were declared in Open Town Meeting, sealed in ballot envelopes and transmitted to the Constable to be placed in the vault for safe keeping.

Voted to adjourn sine die, 11:45 P.M. March 4, 1957.

A true record

Attest

BOYD H. STEWART

Town Clerk

## ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

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Senior High School Auditorium

March 18, 1957

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Kenneth C. Latham, at 7:45 P.M.

The new Town Meeting Members were requested to stand and be sworn to office by the Moderator.

The warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk when on motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to dispense with the further reading of the warrant, except the Constable's Return, which was then read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the Town Clerk be authorized and instructed to prepare a suitable resolution expressing commendation and appreciation for the untiring and valuable service rendered to the Town by Charles P. Howard as Moderator and Selectman, and that the Town Clerk be further authorized and instructed to spread a copy of such resolution upon the Town Records and to transmit a copy thereof to Mr. Howard.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the Town Clerk be authorized and instructed to prepare a suitable resolution expressing commendation and appreciation for the untiring and valuable service rendered to the Town by Kenneth C. Latham as Selectman and Chairman of the Board of Selectmen, and that the Town Clerk be further authorized and instructed to spread a copy of such resolution upon the Town Records and to transmit a copy thereof to Mr. Latham.

ARTICLE 2. The following report was read by Frank M. Stevens.

### **The Park and Recreation Department Study Committee**

The Park and Recreation Department Study Committee has to date received completed questionnaires from 18 of the 23 towns to whom we wrote for information on how they handled their recreational facilities. We asked them what department or committee maintained their grounds and equipment. We asked for the number of Parks and acreage; for the number of playgrounds and their acreage; was there a supervised playground program and how much was the annual money appropriation. These and many other questions were answered by the 18 towns that replied. Their answers have been condensed to a three page chart for easy reference by the committee. One such questionnaire has been completed by our own Public Works Department for the purpose of comparison.

Much detail work still remains to be done before we can properly present a complete report together with our recommendations for your consideration.

We therefore ask that you consider this as a report of progress and grant us further time to complete our study.

Respectfully submitted,

(signed) FRANK M. STEVENS

WILLIAM H. WILLSON, JR.

GILBERT M. LOTHROP

NEWELL H. MORTON

WALTER M. FOWLER

JACK T. TURNER

EARL W. HOBART

HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.

WENDELL W. HORTON

On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the report be accepted as a report of progress.

ARTICLE 2. The following report was read by Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.

**Request for Authority — Board of Public Works  
Water Adequacy Study**

The Board of Public Works requests authority from the Town Meeting to negotiate with the Federal Government Agencies to obtain funds for the purpose of obtaining Consulting Engineering services, surveys and plans for the study of the Town water supply and water distribution system, to determine, if possible, the adequacy of the present Town water supply and the future needs of the Town in respect thereto.

Studies concerning the source of the Town of Reading Water Supply and possible effects of the Ipswich River Study project thereon have been underway by the Waterways Division of the State Department of Public Works for nearly two years, and their report, which is expected in the near future, is of vital import to the Town of Reading.

Field tests by the U.S. Geological Survey, including borings, seismographic investigations, and long-term gauge readings of ground water levels have been and are being accomplished in this survey.

It is estimated that the normal growth of the Town alone will result in water usage of 508,000,000 gallons per year by 1959, or 1.4 Million Gallons per day. Increased industrial usage of water would over-tax the existing water collection and distribution system, and could well result in a serious condition for the Town.

The Board of Public Works therefore requests that authority be voted by the Town Meeting to negotiate with Federal Government agencies to obtain funds for the purposes defined in this report.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the report be accepted and placed on file.

ARTICLE 2. The following report was read by Frederick S. Oliver.

**Report of the Sewer Study Committee  
(in book form attached herewith)**

On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the report be accepted with appreciation and placed on file.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 2 on the table.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Philip R. White it was voted that there be and hereby is established a Special Committee to be known as the "Senior High School Dedication Committee" for the purpose of arranging for and conducting the dedication program for the New Senior High School, the members of said Committee to be Irving Austin, Lloyd Brown, Newell Morton, Robert E. Turner and Ralph Wilson.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Robert E. Turner it was voted that there be and hereby is established a Special Committee to be known as the "Highland School Rebuilding Committee" for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding the Highland School building and equipping said building, the members of said Committee to be the same as the members of the Forest Street School Building Committee.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the Board of Public Works be and they hereby are instructed to negotiate with the Federal Government for funds for the purpose of studying the adequacy of the Town water supply, such funds to be obtained upon such terms and conditions as the said Board of Public Works may determine.

And said Board of Public Works is herewith empowered and authorized to execute for and in behalf of the Town all contracts and agreements necessary to obtain such funds and to do all other acts and things necessary and proper for carrying out the provisions of this vote.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the following persons be chosen to serve as Measurers of Lumber for the ensuing year: Harold B. Currell, Fred F. Smith, Maurice H. Donegan; and that the following persons be chosen to serve as Measurers of Wood and Bark for the ensuing year: Harold B. Currell, Maurice H. Donegan and Thomas E. Brogan.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 3 on the table.

On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted to take up Article 23.

ARTICLE 23. On motion of Harold L. Jones it was voted that Section 10 of the Regulations relating to Job Classifications under Article VIII-A of the By-Laws relating to the Wage and Hour Classifications be amended by striking out said Section 10 and substituting in place thereof the following:

10. Overtime.

All compensation for any position to which an hourly rate applies in the schedule, excepting the classification of foreman, junior clerk and senior clerk, shall be made at this hourly rate for the standard work week of the respective department. Overtime at the rate of one and one-half times the regular rate shall be paid for the number of hours worked in excess of the standard work week in any given week. Men called for emergency work outside of their regular working hours shall be credited with a minimum of three hours' time.

If an hourly rate is not shown on the schedule no overtime will be paid except to foremen. In case of a foreman, overtime shall be

paid if the hours actually worked in any one regular work week exceed sixty. He shall be paid for all hours worked in excess of fifty at the regular hourly rate. The hourly rate shall be determined by dividing the regular weekly salary by forty. The above overtime for foreman shall apply only to emergencies which shall be defined as a set of conditions wherein the work to be performed cannot be postponed.

In the case of junior and senior clerical employees, overtime shall be paid, under regulations established by the Personnel Board, at the rate of straight time for hours worked over thirty-seven and a half hours in any given work week through forty hours, and one and a half times the basic hourly rate for hours worked in excess of forty hours.

On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted to take up Article 24.

ARTICLE 24. On motion of Harold L. Jones it was voted that Schedule A Job Classification under Article VIII-A of the By-Laws relating to the Wage and Hour Classification Plan be and the same is hereby amended in the following manner:—

Add to the classification Senior Clerk the following additional description:

Senior Clerk: May also apply to Clerk performing regular stenographic duties for department head.

Add after Senior Clerk, the following new Classification:

Hearing Reporter: Takes verbatim notes of proceedings of formal or informal meetings, conferences, hearings, or similar gatherings of a Town Board, and transcribes such records accurately on a typewriter. Assists in preparation of meeting and hearing calendars, notices and agendas, and maintains files and records of Board. Employed on a part-time basis, and only employment by the Town is as a "Hearing Reporter".

Amend Section 1. Clerical Employees, of the Salary and Wage Schedule by establishing the hourly maximum rate for the new Job Classification of Hearing Reporter as follows:

#### Classification

##### Section 1. Clerical Employees

	Hourly	
	Min.	Max.
Hearing Reporter .....		\$2.00

Add to the Police Department, after the Classification of Sergeant, the following new Classification:

PATROLMAN-INSPECTOR: Shall be an experienced Patrolman, capable of handling all special investigations, finger-printing, juvenile cases and other plain clothes details. He shall be required to keep the records of all cases investigated and make weekly reports to the Chief of Police.

Amend Section 9, Police Department, by establishing the weekly minimum and maximum rates for the new Job Classification of Patrolman-Inspector as follows:



## Section 9. Police Department

	Weekly	
	Min.	Max.
Patrolman-Inspector .....	\$86.00	\$95.00

Delete from the Fire Department the following Classification:

LIEUTENANT: In the absence of the Chief, Deputy Chief and Captain, the Lieutenant shall be in charge of extinguishing fires in the Town and the protection of life and property in case of fire and shall perform such other duties as may be required by law, and which may be assigned to him from time to time by his superior officers.

Delete from the Salary and Wage Schedule the Classification of Extra or part time work under Section 10, Fire Department.

Amend Section 10, Fire Department, by establishing the hourly minimum and maximum rates for extra or part time work for regular firefighters as follows:

Classification

Section 10. Fire Department

	Hourly	
	Min.	Max.
Extra or part time work performed by regular firefighters .....	\$1.50	\$1.75

Substitute Section 12 for Section 11 for the Classification of General Government under the Salary and Wage Schedule.

Add the following new Classifications after the Classification of Fire Department:

FIRE ALARM DEPARTMENT LINEMAN: Does fire alarm line work as directed by the Superintendent of Fire Alarm.

GROUNDMAN: Does all ground work for lineman. Does tree trimming to clear lines. Makes tests and repairs on the ground or in the station as directed by the Superintendent of Fire Alarm.

Add Section 11, Fire Alarm Department, to the Salary and Wage Schedule and establish the hourly minimum and maximum rates for the new Job Classifications of Lineman and Groundman as follows:

Classification

Section 11. Fire Alarm Department

	Hourly	
	Min.	Max.
Lineman .....	\$1.75	\$2.10
Groundman .....	1.40	1.83

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to take up Article 25.

ARTICLE 25. On motion of Harold L. Jones it was voted that the Schedule of Minimum and Maximum Salaries to be paid to employees in the positions included in the Employees Classifications Plan be and the same is hereby amended by striking out the hourly, weekly and annual minimum and maximum as appearing therein and substituting in place thereof under Job Classifications the following new hourly, weekly and annual minimum and maximum rates.

Classification	Old Hourly		New Hourly		Old Weekly		New Weekly	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Section 1. Clerical Employees								
Junior Clerk .....			.933	1.466	35.00	50.00	35.00	55.00
Senior Clerk .....			1.20	1.733	45.00	58.00	45.00	65.00
Section 2. Supervisory Employees								
Foreman .....					69.00	92.00	69.00	120.00
Supervisory Employees								
Mechanic and								
Shovel Operator	1.58	1.95	1.58	2.40	63.20	78.00	63.20	96.00
Section 3. Hourly Paid Employees								
Skilled Labor .....	1.51	1.76	1.51	2.00	60.40	70.40	60.40	80.00
Semi-Skilled Labor	1.34	1.51	1.45	1.75	53.60	60.40	58.00	70.00
Unskilled Labor ....	1.20	1.39	1.30	1.50	48.00	55.60	52.00	60.00
Unclassified Labor	.75	1.10	.75	1.20	30.00	44.00	30.00	48.00
Section 4. Public Works Dept.								
Superintendent ....					95.38	140.00	125.00	165.00
Asst. Supt. ....					79.00	105.00	95.00	125.00
Admin. Asst. ....	1.50	1.88	1.75	2.25	60.00	75.20	70.00	90.00
Pumping Sta. Engr.					64.00	85.00	80.00	95.00
Asst. Pmp. St. Engr.	1.25	1.59	1.60	2.00	50.00	63.60	64.00	80.00
Junior Office Engr.	1.25	1.59	1.60	2.00	50.00	63.60	64.00	80.00
Civil Engineer .....					90.00	110.00	100.00	130.00
Senior Draftsman ..					75.00	90.00	75.00	95.00
Land Surveyor .....					75.00	90.00	75.00	100.00
Junior Draftsman ..	1.15	1.51	1.30	1.85	46.00	60.40	52.00	74.00
Transitman .....	1.50	1.88	1.60	2.10	60.00	75.00	64.00	84.00
Rodman .....	1.15	1.51	1.30	1.85	46.00	60.40	52.00	74.00
Meter Repairman ..	1.22	1.53	1.30	1.85	48.80	61.20	52.00	74.00
Dump Caretaker* ..	1.10	1.33	1.30	1.50	44.00	53.20	52.00	60.00
*Also has dump salvage.								
Section 5. Municipal Light Dept.								
Distribution Engr.					100.00	125.00	100.00	150.00
Constr. Supt. ....					100.00	115.00	100.00	120.00
Line Truck Forem'n	2.47	2.68	2.47	2.86	98.80	107.20	98.80	114.40
Cable Splicer .....	2.47	2.68	2.47	2.86	98.80	107.20	98.80	114.40
Asst. Cable Splicer	1.82	2.02	1.82	2.14	72.80	80.80	72.80	85.60
Lineman 1st Class	2.25	2.41	2.25	2.48	90.00	96.40	90.00	99.20
Patrolman 1st Class	1.44	2.10	1.44	2.18	57.60	84.00	57.60	87.20
Chief Operator .....	1.51	2.19	1.51	2.25	60.40	87.60	60.40	90.00
Operator .....	1.37	1.90	1.37	1.95	54.80	76.00	54.80	78.00
Service Man .....	1.44	1.94	1.44	2.125	57.60	77.60	57.60	85.00
Section 6. Cemetery Department								
Superintendent .....					69.00	92.00	69.00	120.00
Working Foreman*	1.51	1.85	1.51	2.15	60.40	74.00	60.40	86.00

\*Use of house at \$20.00 per month.

# Section 7. Public Library

Librarian .....	49.48	76.92	60.00	76.92
Asst. Librarian .....	37.08	67.31	50.00	67.31

# Section 8. Tree and Moth Dept.

Superintendent .....	69.00	92.00	69.00	120.00
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# Section 9. Police Department

Chief .....	100.00	109.60	100.00	125.00
Lieutenant .....	None	94.25	None	110.00
Sergeant .....	None	87.00	None	100.00
Patrolman .....	69.25	80.00	75.00	90.00

# Section 10. Fire Department

Chief .....	100.00	109.60	100.00	125.00
Deputy .....	None	94.25	None	110.00
Captain .....	None	87.00	None	100.00
Private .....	69.25	80.00	75.00	90.00

# Section 12. General Government

## ANNUAL

	Old		New	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Town Accountant .....	\$3,608.00	\$4,982.00	\$3,608.00	\$5,200.00

	Old Weekly		New Weekly	
	Min.	Max.	Min.	Max.
Janitor — Town Buildings ....	47.00	63.00	47.00	68.00

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to take up Article 4.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Seventy-two Thousand Three Hundred Twenty-seven and 85/100 Dollars (\$72,327.85) be raised and appropriated for General Government as follows, each item being considered as a separate appropriation:

Selectmen's Clerical .....	\$ 1,673.00
Selectmen's Expense .....	2,000.00
Town Accountant's Salary .....	5,145.50
Town Accountant's Clerical .....	807.30
Town Accountant's Expense (including travel outside the State, not to exceed Two hundred (200) Dollars) .....	600.00
Treasurer's Salary .....	3,000.00
Treasurer's Clerical .....	1,400.00
Treasurer's Expense .....	1,400.00
Collector's Salary (all fees, collected to be paid to the Town Treasurer) .....	5,100.00
Collector's Clerical .....	7,614.00
Collector's Expense .....	2,400.00
Assessors' Salaries .....	4,743.75
Chairman .....	\$ 2,437.50
Secretary .....	1,350.00
Third Member .....	956.25



Assessors' Clerical .....	6,934.30
Assessors' Expense .....	3,350.00
Town Counsel's Salary .....	3,750.00
Town Counsel's Expense .....	2,000.00
Town Clerk's Salary (all fees collected to be paid to the Town Treasurer) .....	2,225.00
Town Clerk's Clerical .....	3,559.00
Town Clerk's Expense .....	850.00
Registrars' Salaries .....	500.00
Registrars' Expense .....	2,200.00
Election and Registration Expense .....	2,500.00
Board of Appeals Expense .....	350.00
Planning Board Expense .....	500.00
Capital Exp. Planning Com. Exp. ....	300.00
Finance Committee Expense .....	100.00
Personnel Board Expense .....	50.00
Municipal Building Janitor .....	3,276.00
Municipal Building Maintenance .....	4,000.00

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Total ..... \$ 72,327.85

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Daniel L. Chamberlain it was moved that the motion of Lawrence Drew for Three hundred and twenty-nine thousand nine hundred seventy-six and 24/100 dollars (\$329,976.24) be amended as follows:

1. By striking out the amount of One hundred eighteen thousand four hundred fifty-four and 85/100 Dollars (\$118,454.85) for Police Department salaries and substituting therefor the amount of One Hundred and twenty-six thousand five hundred twenty-three and 80/100 (\$126,523.80).

2. By striking out the total as set forth in said motion in the amount of Three hundred and twenty-nine thousand nine hundred seventy-six and 24/100 dollars (\$329,976.24) and substituting therefor the total of Three hundred and thirty-eight thousand and forty-five and 19/100 dollars (\$338,045.19).

This motion was lost.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Three Hundred Twenty-nine Thousand Nine Hundred Seventy-six and 24/100 Dollars (\$329,976.24) be raised and appropriated for Protection of Persons and Property as follows, each item being considered as a separate appropriation:

Police Dept. Salaries .....	\$118,454.85
Police Dept. Pensions .....	7,988.24
Police Dept. Maintenance (including travel outside the State, not to exceed Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars) .....	12,495.00
Police Station Maintenance .....	1,760.00
Police Station Janitor's Salary .....	1,200.00
Fire Dept. Salaries .....	107,160.75
Fire Dept. Callmen Salaries .....	6,800.00
Fire Dept. Pensions .....	1,375.00

Fire Dept. Maintenance (including travel outside the State, not to exceed Two Hundred (\$200) Dollars .....	11,700.00
Fire Stations Maintenance .....	3,850.00
Fire Alarm Maintenance Salaries .....	2,850.00
Fire Alarm Maintenance Expense .....	4,160.00
Fire Alarm Extension Salaries .....	1,000.00
Fire Alarm Extension Expense .....	600.00
Tree and Moth Dept. Salaries .....	22,644.90
Tree and Moth Dept. Expense .....	5,500.00
Hydrant Rentals .....	6,765.00
Drinking Fountains .....	100.00
Inspector of Buildings Salary .....	4,187.50
Inspector of Buildings Expense .....	680.00
Inspector of Wires Salary .....	925.00
Inspector of Wires Expense .....	350.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures Salary .....	700.00
Sealer of Weights and Measures Expense .....	250.00
Dog Officer's Salary .....	375.00
Dog Officer's Expense .....	400.00
Game Warden's Salary .....	105.00
Traffic Control .....	5,600.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$329,976.24</b>

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Charles R. Baisley it was voted that the sum of Twenty-nine Thousand Seven Hundred Seventy-five Dollars (\$29,775.00) be raised and appropriated for Health and Sanitation as follows, each item being considered as a separate appropriation:

Board of Health Salaries .....	\$ 2,525.00
Board of Health Expense .....	700.00
Health Officer's Salary .....	700.00
Inspector of Plumbing Salary .....	1,500.00
Inspector of Animals Salary .....	400.00
Inspector of Milk and Food Salary .....	350.00
Inspector of Milk and Food Expense .....	50.00
Care of Contagious Diseases .....	3,000.00
Premature Babies .....	500.00
Garbage Collection .....	16,850.00
Dental Clinic .....	3,200.00
<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$ 29,775.00</b>

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Newell H. Morton it was voted that the sum of One Hundred Eighty-six Thousand Nine Hundred Forty-six and 50/100 Dollars (\$186,946.50) be raised and appropriated for Charities and Aid as follows, each item being considered as a separate appropriation:

Welfare General Aid Salaries .....	\$ 1,946.50	
Welfare General Aid Expenses .....	600.00	
Welfare General Aid .....	16,000.00	\$ 18,546.50

Aid to Dependent Children, Administration .....	6,600.00	
Aid to Dependent Children, Aid .....	17,000.00	23,600.00
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Disability Assistance, Administration .....	2,300.00	
Disability Assistance, Aid .....	12,000.00	14,300.00
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Old Age Assistance, Administration .....	5,000.00	
Old Age Assistance, Aid .....	125,500.00	130,500.00
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Total .....		\$186,946.50

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the sum of Seventeen Thousand One Hundred Eighty-eight and 20/100 Dollars (\$17,188.20) be raised and appropriated for the Veterans' Benefits as follows, each item being considered as a separate appropriation:

Administrative Salaries .....	\$ 2,438.20
Administrative Expenses .....	750.00
Aid .....	14,000.00
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Total .....	\$ 17,188.20

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Robert E. Turner it was voted that the sum of Nine Hundred Sixty-nine Thousand Eight Hundred Twenty-eight and 62/100 Dollars (\$969,828.62) be raised and appropriated for the School Department as follows, each item being considered as a separate appropriation:

General Salaries .....	\$793,278.52
General Maintenance .....	126,139.10
Vocational Tuition .....	3,000.00
Transportation .....	33,836.00
Athletics .....	10,500.00
Cafeterias .....	3,075.00
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Total .....	\$969,828.62

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Neil C. Robinson it was voted that the sum of Thirty Thousand Four Hundred Thirty-three and 21/100 Dollars (\$30,433.21) be raised and appropriated for the Public Library as follows, each item being considered as a separate appropriation:

Salaries .....	\$ 20,853.21
Maintenance .....	9,580.00
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Total .....	\$ 30,433.21

ARTICLE 4. On motion of John R. Kay, it was voted that the motion of Kenneth R. Johnson for Seven Hundred Forty-two Thousand One Hundred Eighty and 22/100 dollars (\$742,180.22) be amended as follows:

1. By striking out the amount of Seventy Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$70,500.00) for Salaries for the Extension of the Sewer System and substituting therefor the amount of Forty-seven Thousand Dollars (\$47,000.00).

2. By striking out the amount of Seventy-nine Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$79,500.00) for Expenses for the Extension of the Sewer System and substituting therefor the amount of Fifty-three Thousand Dollars (\$53,000.00).

3. By striking out the total as set forth in said motion in the amount of Seven Hundred Forty-two Thousand One Hundred Eighty and 22/100 Dollars (\$742,180.22) and substituting therefor the amount of Six Hundred Ninety-two Thousand One Hundred Eighty and 22/100 Dollars (\$692,180.22).

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson, as amended by John R. Kay, it was voted that the sum of Six Hundred Ninety-two Thousand One Hundred Eighty and 22/100 Dollars (\$692,180.22) be raised and appropriated for the Board of Public Works as follows, each item being considered as a separate appropriation:

Salaries for Administration .....	\$ 10,186.00
Expenses for Administration .....	2,300.00
Public Works Pensions .....	7,085.52
Salaries for Engineering Division .....	25,251.20
Expenses for Engineering Division .....	2,660.00
Salaries for Construction and Maintenance of Highways .....	56,100.00
Expenses for Repairs, Construction and Maintenance of Highways, setting curbs, purchase or otherwise acquiring land for sand and gravel purposes, purchase of materials, tools and equipment and other incidental expenses pertaining thereto .....	43,900.00
Salaries for Removal of Snow and Ice .....	29,200.00
Expenses for Removal of Snow and Ice .....	30,800.00
Salaries for Maintenance and Operation of the Sewer System .....	8,200.00
Expenses for Maintenance and Operation of the Sewer System and Payment of Interest on Sewer Bonds including travel outside the State .....	8,800.00
Salaries for the Extension of the Sewer System .....	47,000.00
Expenses for the Extension of the Sewer System .....	53,000.00
Salaries for Connecting Estates with the Common Sewer ....	18,900.00
Expenses for Connecting Estates with the Common Sewer ....	18,600.00
Salaries for Maintenance of Storm Drains .....	9,200.00
Expenses for Maintenance of Storm Drains .....	3,500.00
Salaries for Construction of Storm Drains .....	18,000.00
Expenses for Construction of Storm Drains .....	22,000.00
Salaries for Maintenance of Sidewalks .....	4,800.00
Expenses for Maintenance of Sidewalks .....	3,200.00
Salaries for Construction of Sidewalks .....	6,500.00
Expenses for Construction of Sidewalks .....	5,500.00
Salaries for Maintenance of Dump .....	7,250.00
Expenses for Maintenance of Dump .....	1,600.00
Salaries for Maintenance of Park Department and Commons and Supervised Play .....	16,800.00
Expenses for Maintenance of Park Department and Commons and Supervised Play .....	11,200.00

Salaries for Maintenance and Operation of Water Works of which amount the sum of Ten Thousand Five Hundred Forty-eight and 62/100 Dollars (\$10,548.62) shall be transferred from Water Available Surplus and appropriated for salaries for Maintenance and Operation of Water Works and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.	58,000.00
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Expenses for Maintenance and Operation of Water Works, including travel outside the State, not to exceed \$250.00	44,700.00
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Salaries for Construction of Water Works .....	20,000.00
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Expenses for Construction of Water Works .....	73,500.00
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of which amount the sum of Two Thousand Five Hundred Sixty and 94/100 Dollars (\$2,560.94) shall be transferred from the Standpipe Construction Account and be appropriated for Expenses for Construction of Water Works and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Expenses for the payment of Water Bonds and Interest .....	24,447.50
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Total .....	\$692,180.22
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ARTICLE 4. On motion of Edouard N. Dube it was voted that the sum of Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) be raised and appropriated for the maintenance, care and development of Laurel Hill Cemetery and Forest Glen Cemetery as follows, each item being considered as a separate appropriation:

Salaries .....	\$ 22,500.00
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Maintenance (including travel outside the State, not to exceed Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) .....	2,500.00
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Total .....	\$ 25,000.00
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ARTICLE 4. On motion of Phillip G. Willcox it was voted that there be included in the tax levy, for electricity used for street lights, the sum of Seventeen thousand (\$17,000.00) Dollars and that said sum and the income from sales of electricity to private consumers and for electricity supplies to municipal buildings, and for municipal power, and from sales of appliances and jobbing during the current fiscal year be appropriated for the Municipal Light Plant, and that the sum of Twelve Thousand (\$12,000.00) Dollars be appropriated from the said receipts of the department for the sale, installation and servicing of merchandise, equipment, utensils, and chattels, as provided in Section 34 of Chapter 164 of the General Laws, said appropriations to be expended by the Manager of the Municipal Lighting Plant under the direction and control of the Municipal Light Board, for the expense of the plant, including payments of Bonds and Notes, the sale, installation and servicing of merchandise, equipment, utensils and chattels, as defined in Chapter 164, Section 57 of the General Laws, or any amend-



ments thereof or addition thereto, and that if said sum of Seventeen Thousand (\$17,000.00) Dollars and said income shall exceed said expense for said fiscal year, such excess up to the amount of 2½% of the primary cost of Plant and General Equipment as of December 31st of the preceding year plus 10% of the net profit for the preceding year as defined in Chapter 164 of the General Laws, such amount shall be paid into the Town Treasury, and the balance, if any, shall be transferred to the Construction Fund of said Plant and appropriated and used for such additions thereto as may thereafter be authorized by the Municipal Light Board.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the sum of Thirty Thousand Dollars (\$30,000.00) be raised and appropriated for insurance.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) be raised and appropriated for the settlement of damage claims against the Town.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) be raised and appropriated for the care and lighting of the Old South Clock.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the sum of Eighteen Hundred Sixty Dollars (\$1860.00) be raised and appropriated for printing the Town Report for the year 1956.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand Two Hundred Ninety Dollars (\$2,290.00) be raised and appropriated for Memorial Day observance, to be expended under the direction of Post 62 American Legion and Post 685 Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of Nine Hundred (\$900.00) be raised and appropriated for the preparation and printing of the Street List for the year 1957, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of Four Hundred Dollars (\$400.00) be raised and appropriated for the maintenance of the parking areas.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) be raised and appropriated for recording instruments in the Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Preston F. Nichols it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred Fourteen Thousand Dollars (\$214,000.00) be raised and appropriated for maturing Debt, not including light and water, as follows:

Sewer .....	\$ 24,000.00
School .....	180,000.00
Library .....	10,000.00
Total .....	<hr/> \$214,000.00

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Preston F. Nichols it was voted that the sum of Seventy-three Thousand Eight Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$73,850.00) be raised and appropriated for interest, not including water, light and sewer, as follows:

School .....	\$ 68,975.00
Library .....	375.00
Anticipation of Revenue .....	4,500.00
Total .....	\$ 73,850.00

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Boyd H. Stewart it was voted that the sum of Fifty-two Thousand Six Hundred Sixty-two Dollars (\$52,662.00) be raised and appropriated for the Contributory Retirement System, to be divided as follows:

Pension Accumulation Fund .....	\$ 51,062.00
Expense Fund .....	1,600.00
Total .....	\$ 52,662.00

ARTICLE 4. On motion of John R. Kay it was voted that the sum of Twenty-Five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000.00) be appropriated by transferring said sum from the Overlay Surplus Reserve Fund to the Reserve Fund, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the meeting stand adjourned until March 21, 1957 at 8:00 P.M. to meet in the Senior High School Auditorium.

Meeting adjourned at 10:55 P.M.

167 Town Meeting Members were present.

A true copy. Attest:

BOYD H. STEWART, Town Clerk

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### **ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

Senior High School Auditorium

March 21, 1957

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Kenneth C. Latham at 8:00 P.M.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to take Article 2 from the table.

ARTICLE 2. The following report was read by John H. Austin:

#### **Progress Report of the Building Committee for the Forest Street Elementary School**

The Forest Street Elementary School Building Committee, acting through authority of a motion under Article 9 of the Warrant for the Special Town Meeting of January 30, 1956, submits herewith its progress report to date:

Detailed plans and specifications were prepared during the Spring of 1956 and on July 5, 1956 the Committee advertised for bids on construction of the school. All bids received were opened and read at the High School, 62 Oakland Road, Reading on Thursday, July 26, 1956.

A contract was signed between the Building Committee, acting for the Town of Reading, and J. F. Rand & Son, General Contractors, the low-bidder, on August 7, 1956 for the construction of the Forest Street Elementary School. The General Contractor started construction of the school on August 20, 1956.

Announcement of the sale of Bonds for the school by the Town Treasurer in the amount of \$800,000.00 at a 2.90% interest rate appeared in the August 16, 1956 issue of the Reading Chronicle.

School equipment specifications were prepared and on January 2, 1957 the Committee advertised for bids on said equipment. All bids received were opened and read at the High School, 62 Oakland Road, Reading on Wednesday, January 9, 1957.

Contracts were signed between the Building Committee, acting for the Town of Reading, and the following named equipment suppliers: United Restaurant Equipment Co.; J. L. Hammett Co.; Cascade School Suppliers, Inc.; and Gledhill Brothers, Inc.

Construction of the school has progressed satisfactorily and is now approximately 40% complete. The foundations are substantially complete and the exterior wall construction on two of the classroom wings is nearly ready to accept roof members. General Contractors invoices in the amount of approximately 46% of the total contract have been approved for payment.

The Committee has been informed by the State School Building assistance Commission that, based on the estimated school cost, \$850,000., the Town of Reading will receive State Aid in the amount of 38%, or an estimated \$323,000. The first payment of aid, \$16,150.00, will be due the Town in September 1957.

The architect, Clinton Foster Goodwin, has informed the Committee that the school will be ready for occupancy when school sessions resume in September, 1957, barring any unforeseen difficulties.

Respectfully submitted,

The Forest Street Elementary School Building Committee

JOHN H. AUSTIN, Chairman  
THOMAS F. GALVIN  
KENNETH R. JOHNSON  
EMERSON A. WILLARD  
WILLIAM E. FLORENCE  
GEORGE R. LARSON  
WILLIAM E. BURPEE



On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the report be accepted as a report of progress.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that Article 2 be laid on the table.

On motion of Lester Bowen it was voted to take up Article 26.

ARTICLE 26. On motion of Lester W. Bowen it was moved that the Schedule of Minimum and Maximum Salaries to be paid to employees in the positions included in the Employees Classifications Plan be and the same hereby is amended by striking out the weekly minimum as appearing therein and substituting in place therefor under the Job Classifications the following new weekly minimum rates:

Classification

Section 9. Police Department

	New Weekly	
	Min.	Max.
Chief .....	\$125.00	
Lieutenant .....	110.00	
Sergeant .....	100.00	
Patrolman to start .....	80.00	
Patrolman after one year of permanent service .....	85.00	
Patrolman after two years of permanent service .....	90.00	

This motion was lost.

ARTICLE 26. On motion of Lawrence W. Leonard it was moved that the Schedule of Minimum and Maximum Salaries to be paid to employees Classifications Plan be amended to read as follows:

	Weekly	
	Min.	Max.
Chief .....	\$119.00	
Lieutenant .....	102.00	
Sergeant .....	95.00	
Patrolman to start .....	80.00	
Patrolman after one year .....	83.00	
Patrolman after two years .....	86.00	

This motion was lost.

75 voted in the negative.

52 voted in the affirmative.

ARTICLE 5. On motion of Preston F. Nichols it was voted that the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year beginning January 1, 1958, and to issue a note or notes therefor, payable within one year, and to renew any note or notes as may be given for a period of less than one year in accordance with Sections 4 and 17 of Chapter 44 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 6. On motion of Preston F. Nichols it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) be raised and appropriated

for the purpose of foreclosing in the Land Court pursuant to provisions of Section 65 of Chapter 60 of the General Laws, the right of redemption to any and all real estate taken by the Town for non-payment of taxes.

ARTICLE 7. On motion of Preston F. Nichols it was voted that the sum of Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated for the maintenance of various streets previously constructed under Chapter 90 of the General Laws; and that the further sum of Twenty-Two Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$22,500.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated for the construction under Chapter 90 of the General Laws of a portion of West Street from near Palmer Hill Avenue toward the Wilmington-Reading town line, provided however, that such sums received as reimbursement from the State and County shall be credited to Surplus Revenue, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 8. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to sell or exchange upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, the 1954 Ford Police Cruising Car used by the Police Department, and the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) together with the proceeds from such sale or exchange be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a new Cruising Car for the Police Department.

ARTICLE 9. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to sell or exchange upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, the 1956 Plymouth Station Wagon used by the Police Department, and that the sum of Eleven Hundred Dollars (\$1100.00) together with the proceeds from such sale or exchange be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a new Cruising Car for the Police Department.

ARTICLE 10. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to sell or exchange upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, the 1956 Ford Station Wagon used by the Police Department, and that the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) together with the proceeds from such sale or exchange be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a new Station Wagon for the Police Department.

ARTICLE 11. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized and empowered to sell or exchange upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, the 1950 Chevrolet automobile used by the Fire Department, and that the sum of One thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-five Dollars (\$1,975.00) together with the proceeds from such sale or exchange be raised and appropriated for the purchase of a new Station Wagon for the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 12. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the

sum of One Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$1,950.00) be raised and appropriated for the purchase of uniforms for members of the Police Department.

ARTICLE 13. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) be raised and appropriated for the purchase of uniforms for members of the Fire Department.

ARTICLE 14. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that Article 14 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 15. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Thirteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,300.00) be raised and appropriated for the care of graves of any persons who have served in the Army, Navy, or Marine Corps of the United States in time of war or insurrection, and who have been honorably discharged from such service, as provided by Section 9 of Chapter 115 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 16. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Eighty-five Hundred Dollars (\$8,500.00) be raised and appropriated for the rental of a helicopter and for labor and material used in connection therewith for spraying trees in the Town by the Tree and Moth Department.

ARTICLE 17. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) be transferred from surplus revenue and appropriated for the purchase and installation of cables for the light system for the control of traffic, and that the Town Accountant be, and he hereby is, authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 18. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) be raised and appropriated for the observance of the Christmas Season of 1957 by the decoration and illumination of public buildings and public streets and the decoration of Christmas trees upon municipal land.

ARTICLE 19. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) be raised and appropriated for the maintenance and care of the Old High School Building and the surrounding grounds, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation voted for Old High School Building Maintenance, such sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 20. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1,000.00) be raised and appropriated for Civil Defense, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Civil Defense, such sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 21. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the provisions of Chapter 401 of the Acts of 1956 relative to extending to certain Civil Defense Volunteers the provisions of law applicable to municipal employees for indemnification of damages sustained through

the operation of publicly owned vehicles be, and the same hereby are, accepted.

ARTICLE 22. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized, for and on behalf of the Town, to convey or abandon, upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, that portion of the easement acquired by the Town for drainage purposes through land of Louis A. Garono located on the northerly side of Intervale Terrace and bounded as follows:

Beginning at the intersection of the northerly line of Intervale Terrace and the easterly line of lot 5, thence running N 9° 05' 00" W a distance of 366.51 feet more or less, thence turning and running N 83° 53' 00" E a distance of 20.00 feet more or less to an angle point, thence turning and running S 9° 05' 00" E a distance of 361.7 feet, more or less, to a point on the northerly side line of Intervale Terrace, thence turning and running along said northerly line of Intervale Terrace, S 70° 12' 30" W a distance of 20.36 feet to the point of beginning. Said area containing about 7219.0 square feet more or less.

139 voted in the affirmative.

0 voted in the negative.

ARTICLE 27. On motion of Carl H. Amon. Jr. it was voted that the sum of Seven Hundred Dollars (\$700.00) be raised and appropriated for the eradication of mosquitoes in the Town, such sum to be expended under the supervision of the Board of Health.

ARTICLE 28. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the Law Committee be and they hereby are authorized to settle the litigation brought against the Town by Mary L. Borg, pending in the Superior Court for Middlesex County and arising out of an accident which occurred on Main Street on May 30, 1953, and that the sum of Twenty-five Hundred Dollars (\$2,500.00) be raised and appropriated for the settlement of said litigation.

ARTICLE 29. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Fifteen Thousand Dollars (\$15,000.00) be raised and appropriated for group life insurance, group accidental death and dismemberment insurance and group general or blanket hospital, surgical and medical insurance for Town Employees, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 32B of the General Laws, and that said sum be expended by and under the direction of the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 30. On motion of Phillip G. Willcox it was voted that the subject matter of Article 30 be referred to the Municipal Light Board, and that said Board be, and it hereby is, authorized to install such additional street lights as in its judgment are required, and to make such changes in the size, type, and location of existing street lights, as it may deem advisable, the expense of same to be paid from the income of the Plant.

ARTICLE 31. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the



General By-Laws of the Town be amended by adding the following new Article thereto:

**ARTICLE XIX. Council for the Aging**

The Council for the Aging shall consist of the Chairman of the Board of Public Welfare, the Chairman of the Recreation Committee, the Chairman of the Board of Health, the Superintendent of Schools, or their respective representatives, and not less than three nor more than seven additional members appointed by the Board of Selectmen from the voters and residents of the Town. The Chairman of the Council shall be designated from time to time by the Board of Selectmen. Appointees shall hold office until successors are designated. The Council may appoint such clerks and other employees as it may require.

It shall be the duty of the Council to carry out programs designed to meet problems of the aging in coordination with programs of the Council for the Aging established under Section 73 of Chapter 6 of the Massachusetts General Laws.

On motion of Carl W. Pinkham, Jr., it was voted that Article 32 be laid on the table until Articles 47 and 48 have been disposed of.

On motion of W. Franklin Burnham, Jr. it was voted to take up Article 2.

ARTICLE 2. The following report was read by Edward W. Batten.

**Report of Public Hearing**

On February 11, 1957, the Planning Board held a hearing on the following proposed changes to the zoning-by-law and zoning map.

1. Change from Residence A-2 to Industry the following area:

Beginning at a point, said point being the Town Bound at the junction of the Town Boundary lines of Reading, Stoneham and City of Woburn;

Thence in a Northwesterly direction along the Town lines between the Town of Reading and the City of Woburn, a distance of 820 feet, more or less, to a point where the Town Line crosses State Highway Route 128.

Thence in a Southwesterly, Easterly and Northeasterly direction along the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 a distance of 3953 feet, more or less, to the division property line of land of Margaret Marcella and Ruth Shirley Larson and land of Eleanor Marsh and Stanley C. Brown;

Thence in a Southeasterly direction along the division property line of land of Margaret Marcella and Ruth Shirley Larson and land of Eleanor Marsh and Stanley C. Brown a distance of 276.8 feet, more or less to a point on the Town Boundary Line between the Town of Reading and the Town of Stoneham;

Thence in a Westerly direction along the Town Boundary Line between the Towns of Reading and Stoneham a distance of 3670 feet more or less to the point of beginning.

2. Change from Residence A-1 to Industry the following areas:

Beginning at a point, said point being the junction point of the division property line of land of Margaret Marcella and Ruth Shirley Larson and land of Eleanor Marsh and Stanley C. Brown and the Town Boundary line between the Town of Reading and the Town of Stoneham.

Thence along the Division property line of said Larson and said Brown and the Northeasterly direction a distance of 252 feet, more or less, to a point which is located on a line 25 feet Southerly and parallel, to the Southerly sidelines of State Highway Route 128;

Thence along the line 25 feet Southerly of and parallel to the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 and the Southwest Ramp to Main Street, in a Northeasterly and Southeasterly direction, a distance of 1010 feet, more or less, to a point on a line which is 200 feet West of and parallel to the center line of Main Street;

Thence along the line which is 200 feet West of and parallel to Main Street in a Southerly direction a distance of 105 feet, more or less, to a point on the Town Boundary line between the Town of Reading and the Town of Stoneham.

Thence along the Town Boundary line between the Town of Reading and Stoneham in a Southwesterly direction a distance of 1000 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

Beginning at a point, said point being the Boundary point between the Town of Reading, the Town of Stoneham and the Town of Wakefield;

Thence in a Northeasterly direction along the Town Boundary line between the Town of Reading and Wakefield a distance of 610 feet, more or less, to the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128.

Thence along the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 in a Southwesterly direction a distance of 46 feet, more or less, to the point where the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 and the Southeasterly sideline of the Southeast Ramp meet;

Thence along the Southeasterly sideline of the Southeast Ramp in Southwesterly direction a distance of 490 feet, more or less, to a point where a line 200 feet East of and parallel to the centerline of Main Street crosses the Southeast Ramp;

Thence along the line 200 feet East of and parallel to the centerline of Main Street in a Southeasterly direction a distance of 200 feet, more or less, to the Town Boundary line between the Towns of Reading and Stoneham;

Thence along the Town Boundary Line between the Towns of Reading and Stoneham in a Northeasterly direction a distance of 105 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

3. Change from Business C to Industry the following area:

Bounded on the East by a line 200 feet East of and parallel to the center line of Main Street;

Bounded on the South by the Town Boundary line between the Town of Reading and the Town of Stoneham;

Bounded on the West by a line 200 feet West of and parallel to the center line of Main Street;



Bounded on the North by the Southerly sidelines of the Southwest and Southeast Ramps of the State Highway Route 128 intersection with Main Street.

There were none in attendance who opposed the change. The Board feels that this land is best suited for this use due to its proximity to Routes 128, 28, and proposed new 28. The value tax-wise to the Town should be considerably increased by the Industrial development of the area.

The Planning Board therefore unanimously recommends these changes in the zoning by-law and map.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the report be accepted and placed on file.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of W. Franklin Burnham, Jr. it was voted that Article 2 be laid on the table.

ARTICLE 33. On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted that the Zoning-By-Law and the Zoning Map of the Town of Reading, dated February 13, 1942, as amended, be and the same hereby are amended by changing the following described area now zoned as part of Residence A-2 District to Industrial District;

Beginning at a point, said point being the Town Bound at the junction of the Town Boundary lines of Reading, Stoneham and City of Woburn;

Thence in a Northwesterly direction along the Town lines between the Town of Reading and the City of Woburn, a distance of 820 feet, more or less, to a point where the Town Line crosses State Highway Route 128.

Thence in a Southeasterly, Easterly and Northeasterly direction along the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 a distance of 3953 feet, more or less, to the division property line of land of Margaret Marcella and Ruth Shirley Larson and land of Eleanor Marsh and Stanley C. Brown;

Thence in a Southeasterly direction along the division property line of land of Margaret Marcella and Ruth Shirley Larson and land of Eleanor Marsh and Stanley C. Brown a distance of 276.8 feet, more or less, to a point on the Town Boundary Line between the Town of Reading and the Town of Stoneham;

Thence in a Westerly direction along the Town Boundary Line between the Towns of Reading and Stoneham a distance of 3670 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

115 voted in the affirmative.

7 voted in the negative.

ARTICLE 34. On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted that the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map of the Town of Reading, dated February 13, 1942, as amended, be and the same hereby are amended by changing the following described area now zoned as part of Residence A-1 District to Industrial District:

Beginning at a point, said point being the junction point of the division property line of land of Margaret Marcella and Ruth Shirley Larson and land of Eleanor Marsh and Stanley C. Brown and the Town Boundary line between the Town of Reading and the Town of Stoneham;

Thence along the Division property line of said Larson and said Brown and the Northeasterly direction a distance of 252 feet, more or less, to a point which is located on a line 25 feet Southerly and parallel, to the Southerly sidelines of State Highway Route 128;

Thence along the line 25 feet Southerly of and parallel to the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 and the Southwest Ramp to Main Street, in a Northeasterly and Southeasterly direction a distance of 1010 feet, more or less, to a point on a line which is 200 feet West of and parallel to the center line of Main Street;

Thence along the line which is 200 feet West of and parallel to Main Street in a Southerly direction a distance of 105 feet, more or less, to a point on the Town Boundary line between the Town of Reading and the Town of Stoneham;

Thence along the Town Boundary line between the Town of Reading and Stoneham in a Southwesterly direction a distance of 1000 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

116 voted in the affirmative.

6 voted in the negative.

ARTICLE 35. On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted that the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map of the Town of Reading, dated February 13, 1942, as amended, be and the same hereby are amended by changing the following described area now zoned as part of Business C District to Industrial District:

Bounded on the East by a line 200 feet East of and parallel to the Center line of Main Street;

Bounded on the South by the Town Boundary line between the Town of Reading and the Town of Stoneham;

Bounded on the West by a line 200 feet West of and parallel to the center line of Main Street;

Bounded on the North by the Southerly sidelines of the Southwest and Southeast Ramps of the State Highway Route 128 intersection with Main Street.

106 voted in the affirmative.

17 voted in the negative.

ARTICLE 36. On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted that the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map of the Town of Reading, dated February 13, 1942, as amended, be and the same hereby are amended by changing the following described area now zoned as part of Residence A-1 District to Industrial District:

Beginning at a point, said point being the Boundary point between the Town of Reading, the Town of Stoneham and the Town of Wakefield;

Thence in a Northeasterly direction along the Town Boundary Line

between the Town of Reading and Wakefield a distance of 610 feet, more or less, to the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128;

Thence along the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 in a Southwesterly direction a distance of 46 feet, more or less, to the point where the Southerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 and the Southeasterly sideline of the Southeast Ramp meet;

Thence along the Southeasterly sideline of the Southeast Ramp in Southwesterly direction a distance of 490 feet, more or less, to a point where a line 200 feet East of and parallel to the center-line of Main Street crosses the Southeast Ramp;

Thence along the line 200 feet East of and parallel to the center-line of Main Street in a Southeasterly direction a distance of 200 feet, more or less, to the Town Boundary line between the Towns of Reading and Stoneham;

Thence along the Town Boundary Line between the Town of Reading and Stoneham in a Northeasterly direction a distance of 105 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

108 voted in the affirmative.

5 voted in the negative.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to adjourn to meet in the Senior High School Auditorium on Monday evening, March 25, 1957, after the adjournment of the Special Town Meeting to be held on that evening.

Meeting adjourned at 10:45 P.M.

153 Town Meeting Members were present.

A true copy. Attest:

BOYD H. STEWART, Town Clerk

### **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

Senior High School Auditorium

March 25, 1957

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Kenneth C. Latham, at 7:45 P.M.

The Warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk when on motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to dispense with further reading of the Warrant except the Constable's Return which was then read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 1 on the table.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of Robert E. Turner it was voted that the sum of Eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated as follows:

1. Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) for consulting engineers, architectural services, plans and surveys for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding the Highland School building; and

2. Three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for a lawfully incurred deficit for money expended under the provisions of Section 31, Chapter 44, of the General Laws, for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding the Highland School building; and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said total sum of Eight thousand dollars (\$8,000.00) to carry out the purposes of this vote.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized, for and on behalf of the Town, to convey or abandon, upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, that portion of the easement acquired by the Town for installation of water mains, and any other, right, title and interest which the Inhabitants of the Town of Reading may have in a Private Town Way known as Englund (Private) Road, and bounded as follows:

Beginning at a point on the Southerly side line of said South Street, Thence by a curved line to the left running in a South Westerly direction, having a radius of 20 feet, by lands of Robert G. Lipsett and Isabelle M. Lipsett a length of 31.42 feet to a point of tangent;

Then S.  $09^{\circ}23'50''$  E., still by lands of said Robert G. Lipsett et ux and by lands of Jacob N. Zeytoonian and Grace Zeytoonian and by lands of Carl E. Englund, a distance of 325.96 feet to a point of curve;

Thence by a curved line to the left, running in a Southeasterly direction having a radius of 40.00 feet, by land of Carl E. Englund a length of 33.64 feet to a point of reverse curve;

Thence by a curved line to the right running in Southerly, Southwesterly and Northerly directions still by lands of said Carl E. Englund a length of 241.19 feet to another point of reverse curve;

Thence by a curved line to the left running in a Northeasterly direction having a radius of 40.00 feet still by lands of said Carl E. Englund a length of 33.64 feet to a point of tangent;

Thence N.  $09^{\circ}23'50''$  W., by lands of Jacob N. Zeytoonian and Grace Zeytoonian and lands of Francis X. Jones and Barbara A. Jones a distance of 325.58 feet to a point of curve;

Thence by a curved line to the left running in a Northwesterly direction having a radius of 26.25 feet still by lands of said Francis X. Jones et ux a length of 37.74 feet to a point of tangent on said Southerly side line of South Street;

Thence turning and running S.  $72^{\circ}59'20''$  E., along said Southerly side line of South Street, a distance of 42.47 feet to an angle point in said Southerly side line of South Street;

Thence turning and running N.  $80^{\circ}36'10''$  E., still by said Southerly side line of South Street, a distance of 40.67 feet to the point of beginning of this description.

137 voted in the affirmative.

0 voted in the negative.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that Article 4 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 5. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the sum of Six Thousand Dollars (\$6,000.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated for the purpose of obtaining consulting engineering services, surveys and plans to extend the scope of the existing Town sewer plans and profiles and the Sewer Report prepared in 1916 by F. A. Barbour, said sum to be expended by and under the direction of the Board of Public Works, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to take Article 1 from the table.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that Article 1 be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to adjourn, sine die, at 8:18 P.M.

155 Town Meeting Members were present.

A true copy. Attest:

BOYD H. STEWART, Town Clerk

### **ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

Senior High School Auditorium

March 25, 1957

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Kenneth C. Latham, at 8:20 P.M.

On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted to take Article 2 from the table.

ARTICLE 2. The following report was read by Edward W. Batten.

#### **REPORT OF PUBLIC HEARING**

On February 18, 1957, the Planning Board held a Public Hearing in regard to changing the following area from Residence A-2 to Business C.

Beginning at a point, said point being the junction point of the present Business C. Area with the Northerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 located about 220 feet East of the Easterly sideline of Curtis St. extended,

Thence turning and running in a Northerly direction along the Westerly boundary of the present Business "C" Area a distance of 50 feet more or less to a point.

Thence turning and running in a Westerly direction along a line 50 feet North of and parallel to the Northerly sideline of State Highway Route 128 a distance of 773 feet more or less to a point.

Thence turning and running in a Northerly direction along a line 360 feet West of and parallel to the Westerly sideline of Curtis St. a distance of 800 feet more or less to a point 370 feet South of the Southerly sideline of South Street.



Thence turning and running in a Westerly direction along a line through lands of Angus G. Mathieson, along the division property line of said Mathieson and Samuel C. Endicott and Robert Bronner, through lands of Sidney M. Bird and Katherine H. Bird, along the division property line of said Bird and Joseph N. Fierro and Edith M. Fierro, along the division property line of Leslie M. Jay et al and said Fierro, along the division property line of said Jay et al and William J. Webb, Jr. and Beverly A. Webb, along the division property line of Lloyd W. Locke and Lillian S. Locke and said Webb, and along the division property line of said Locke and Frank C. Mills and Ruth A. Mills a distance of 1033 feet more or less to an angle point.

Thence turning and running in a Northwesterly direction again along the division property line of Lloyd W. Locke and Lillian S. Locke and Frank C. Mills and Ruth A. Mills a distance of 90 feet more or less to a point on the Southeasterly sideline of Walnut Street.

Thence turning and running in a Southwesterly direction along the Southeasterly sideline of Walnut Street, a distance of 785 feet more or less to a point on the Northerly sideline of State Highway Route No. 128.

Thence turning and running in an Easterly direction along the Northerly sideline of State Highway Route No. 128 a distance of 2332 feet more or less to the point of beginning.

The residents of this area wanted no access on Walnut or South Streets and opposed the change if this were allowed. They wanted a buffer zone between the C zone and Walnut Street. There were no other particular objections registered in opposition other than the desire of the residents to see that decent landscaping would be provided by any person building on the property.

The Board is unanimously in favor of the rezoning of this area to Business C as the most practical use for the best interests of the Town. The Board feels that adequate protection should be provided for residents of this area and is recommending a reduction of the area by a 300' foot setback running parallel to Walnut Street.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the report be accepted and placed on file.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of W. Franklin Burnham, Jr. it was voted to place Article 2 on the table.

ARTICLE 37. On motion of Edward W. Batten, as amended by W. Franklin Burnham, Jr., it was voted that the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map of the Town of Reading, dated February 13, 1942, as amended, be and the same hereby are amended by changing the following described area now zoned as part of Residence A-2 District to Business C District:—

Beginning at a point, said point being the junction point of the present Business C Area with the Northerly side line of State Highway Route 128 located about 220 feet East of the Easterly side line of Curtis Street extended,



Thence turning and running in a Northerly direction along the Westerly boundary of the present Business C Area a distance of 50 feet, more or less, to a point,

Thence turning and running in a Westerly direction along a line 50 feet North of and parallel to the Northerly side line of State Highway Route 128 a distance of 773 feet, more or less, to a point,

Thence turning and running in a Northerly direction along a line 360 feet West of and parallel to the Westerly side line of Curtis Street a distance of 800 feet, more or less, to a point 370 feet South of the Southerly side line of South Street,

Thence turning and running in a Westerly direction along a line through lands of Angus G. Mathieson, along the division property line of said Mathieson and Samuel C. Endicott and Robert Bronner and through lands of Sidney M. Bird and Katherine H. Bird, along the division property line of said Bird and Joseph N. Fierro and Edith M. Fierro a distance of 740 feet, more or less, to a point located 300 feet East of the Southeasterly side line of Walnut Street,

Thence turning and running in a Southwesterly direction along a line 300 feet Southeasterly of and parallel to the Southeasterly side line of Walnut Street through lands of Leslie M. Jay et al, Joseph L. Couturier, Willis J. Goldsmith et al, and Leslie M. Jay et al a distance of 840 feet, more or less, to a point on the Northerly side line of State Highway Route 128.

Thence turning and running in an Easterly direction along the Northerly side line of State Highway Route 128 a distance of 2012 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

138 voted in the affirmative.

6 voted in the negative.

ARTICLE 38. On motion of William E. Burpee it was voted that the sum of Ten Thousand Dollars (\$10,000.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated for the purpose of finish grading and developing the land in Birch Meadow adjacent to the Senior High School and shown as Area 3 on Plan dated June, 1930, filed with the Town Clerk's Office, and for the purpose of purchasing and installing a fence around the land in Birch Meadow adjacent to the Senior High School and shown as Areas 1A, 1B, 1C and 1D on said plan, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation voted for the construction of the new high school building, and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to carry out the purpose of this vote, and that after the addition of the aforesaid amount, the total sum of Thirty-two thousand five hundred and twenty-three dollars (\$32,523.00) from the New High School Construction Account be allotted for the purposes set forth in this motion.

ARTICLE 39. On motion of Paul R. Bergholtz it was voted that there be and hereby is established a Special Committee to be known as "Junior High School Building Committee" for the purpose of the construction of additional Junior High School facilities and for originally

equipping said additional facilities; said Committee to consist of one member of the School Committee chosen by it, one member of Board of Public Works chosen by it, one member of the Finance Committee chosen by it, and four citizens of the Town to be appointed by the Moderator, one member from each of the precincts of the Town.

ARTICLE 40. On motion of Paul R. Bergholtz it was voted that the sum of Seventy-five hundred dollars (\$7,500.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated for consulting engineers, architectural services, preliminary plans, and surveys for the construction of additional Junior High School facilities, said sum to be expended by and under the direction of the Junior High School Building Committee, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 41. On motion of Philip R. White it was moved that the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of maintaining state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws and Acts amendatory thereto or dependent thereon, and that such sum be expended by and under the direction of the School Committee.

This motion was lost.

ARTICLE 42. Amy T. Oliver moved that Article 42 be indefinitely postponed.

This motion was lost.

ARTICLE 42 On motion of Robert E. Turner it was voted that the sum of One Thousand Four Hundred Dollars (\$1,400.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of inscribing a name on the exterior of the new Senior High School building, of purchasing and placing a plaque inside said building, and for expenses in connection with the dedication program for said building, said amount to be expended by and under the direction of the "Senior High School Dedication Committee"

ARTICLE 43. On motion of Robert E. Turner it was voted that the sum of Eight Thousand Two Hundred forty and 50/100 Dollars (\$8,240.50), (Six Thousand Four Hundred Forty and 50/100 (\$6,440.50) for Salaries, and Eighteen Hundred Dollars (\$1800.00) for Expenses), be raised and appropriated for the purpose of conducting and promoting recreation, play, sports, physical education and other social, educational and recreational activities upon such land and in such buildings as defined in Section 14 of Chapter 45 of the General Laws, with authority to exercise all powers conferred therein including the purchase of necessary equipment and the employment of teachers, supervisors and other officers and employees and the fixing of their compensation, and said sum to be expended under the direction of the Recreation Committee.

ARTICLE 44. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) be raised and appropriated for Child Welfare Work to be expended under the direction of the Reading Visiting Nurse Association and the Board of Health.

ARTICLE 45. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) be raised and appropriated under the provisions of Sections 40 and 45 of Chapter 128 of the General Laws, and that the Board of Selectmen be, and they hereby are authorized to appoint a Director to cooperate with the Middlesex County Trustees for the County Aid to Agriculture and work for the Middlesex County Extension Service and the 4-H Clubs

ARTICLE 46. On motion of Edouard N. Dube it was voted that the sum of Two Thousand Dollars (\$2,000.00) be appropriated from the Cemetery Reserve Fund receipts from the sale of lots and graves in Laurel Hill Cemetery and Forest Glen Cemetery, for maintenance, care, improvement and embellishment of said cemeteries under the provisions of section 15 of Chapter 114 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 47. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop as amended by John R. Kay, it was voted that the sum of Six Hundred and Sixty Dollars (\$660.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of providing by lease, or otherwise, suitable headquarters for Reading Post 685, Veterans of Foreign Wars.

ARTICLE 48. On motion of Everett P. Packer it was voted that the sum of Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1500.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of providing by lease, or otherwise, suitable headquarters for Reading Post 62 of the American Legion.

As voted at the Adjourned Annual Town Meeting on March 21, 1957, Article 32 was taken up following Article 48.

ARTICLE 32. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was moved that the sum of Two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of conducting programs dealing with problems of the aging and to promote facilities for the health, education, welfare, and recreation of the aging, and that said sum be expended under the direction of the Council for the Aging.

This motion was lost.

56 voted in the affirmative

73 voted in the negative

ARTICLE 2. On motion of John R. Kay it was voted to take Article 2 from the table.

ARTICLE 2. The Finance Committee desires to amend "REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE ON ANNUAL WARRANT, TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS 1957" as follows:

Article 49 — Recommend transfer of \$5,500.00 from Surplus Revenue.

Article 69 — Recommend transfer of \$1,556.92 from new High School Sewer Construction Account, \$13,443.08 from Surplus Revenue and the acceptance of \$3,000.00 as a contribution or gift from the Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, Inc.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the report be accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 2 on the table.

ARTICLE 49. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and Appropriated for the purchase and installation of water mains of not less than six inches but less than sixteen inches in diameter from Ash Street to the Industrial Zoned area North-Easterly of Ash Street, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

72 voted in the affirmative

57 voted in the negative

The following report was read by Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.

### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss.

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of Birch Meadow Drive Extension**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location herein-after described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for use of the town running Northwesterly, Westerly, Southwesterly, Southerly and Southeasterly from town way now known as Birch Meadow Drive, substantially as and in the location of a private way known as Birch Meadow Drive Extension.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Birch Meadow Drive Extension, and that the sum of Forty Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty Dollars (\$48,950 00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman

(signed) COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary

WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.

HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.

DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading



ARTICLE 50. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of the Private Way known as Birch Meadow Drive Extension, and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Three Thousand Two Hundred Eighty-Six and 68/100 Dollars (\$3,286.68) be transferred from the unexpended balance in the New High School Access Roads Account and the sum of Five Thousand and Twenty-Nine and 86/100 Dollars (\$5,029.86) be transferred from the Arthur B. Lord Drive Construction Account, and that the sum of Forty Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty-Three and 46/100 Dollars (\$40,633.46) be transferred from Surplus Revenue, and that said sums aggregating Forty-Eight Thousand Nine Hundred and Fifty and no/100 Dollars (\$48,950.00) be appropriated for the original construction of Birch Meadow Drive Extension from Oakland Road to John Carver Road, being an access road to the proposed new Forest Street Elementary School, including the cost of oiled gravel surfaced roadway, storm drainage, culvert, and bituminous concrete sidewalks to be laid at the time of said construction.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to adjourn until March 28, 1957 at 8:00 P. M. to meet in the Senior High School Auditorium.

Meeting adjourned at 10:35 P. M.

155 Town Meeting Members were present.

A true copy.

Attest

BOYD H. STEWART,

Town Clerk

### **ADJOURNED ANNUAL TOWN MEETING**

Senior High School Auditorium

March 28, 1957

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Kenneth C. Latham, at 8:00 P. M.

The Town Clerk read his return on posting notices of reconsideration of Articles 37 and 49, in accordance with Article 1, Section 2 of the Town's By-Laws.

ARTICLE 37 On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted that the following vote under Article 37, passed at the adjourned Annual Town Meeting on March 25, 1957, be reconsidered:—

"ARTICLE 37. On motion of Edward W. Batten, as amended by W. Franklin Burnham, Jr., it was voted that the Zoning By-Law and the Zoning Map of the Town of Reading, dated February 13, 1942, as amended, be and the same hereby are amended by changing the following described area now zoned as part of Residence A-2 District to Business C District:

Beginning at a point, said point being the junction point of the present Business C Area with the Northerly side line of State Highway

Route 128 located about 220 feet East of the Easterly side line of Curtis Street extended,

Thence turning and running in a Northerly direction along the Westerly boundary of the present Business C Area a distance of 50 feet, more or less, to a point,

Thence turning and running in a Westerly direction along a line 50 feet North of and parallel to the Northerly side line of State Highway Route 128 a distance of 773 feet, more or less, to a point,

Thence turning and running in a Northerly direction along a line 360 feet West of and parallel to the Westerly side line of Curtis Street a distance of 800 feet, more or less, to a point 370 feet South of the Southerly side line of South Street,

Thence turning and running in a westerly direction along a line through lands of Angus G. Mathieson, along the division property line of said Mathieson and Samuel C. Endicott and Robert Bronner and through lands of Sidney M. Bird and Katherine H. Bird, along the division property line of said Bird and Joseph N. Fierro and Edith M. Fierro a distance of 740 feet, more or less, to a point located 300 feet East of the Southeasterly side line of Walnut Street,

Thence turning and running in a Southwesterly direction along a line 300 feet Southeasterly of and parallel to the Southeasterly side line of Walnut Street through lands of Leslie M. Jay et al, Joseph L. Coutueier, Willis J. Goldsmith et al, and Leslie M. Jay et al a distance of 840 feet, more or less, to a point on the Northerly side line of State Highway Route 128.

Thence turning and running in an Easterly direction along the Northerly side line of State Highway Route 128 a distance of 2012 feet, more or less, to the point of beginning."

ARTICLE 37. On motion of W. Franklin Burnham, Jr. it was voted that Article 37 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 49. It was moved by Robert M. Graham that the following vote under Article 49, passed at the adjourned Annual Town Meeting on March 25, 1957, be reconsidered:—

ARTICLE 49. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$5,500.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated for the purchase and installation of water mains of not less than six inches but less than sixteen inches in diameter from Ash Street to the Industrial Zoned area Northeasterly of Ash Street, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

This motion was lost.

44 voted in the affirmative

60 voted in the negative



ARTICLE 33. It was moved by G. Warren Cochrane that unanimous consent be given for the reconsideration of Article 33, passed at the adjourned Annual Town Meeting on March 21, 1957.

This motion was lost.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Ralph T. Horn it was voted to take Article 3 from the table.

ARTICLE 3. It was moved by Ralph T. Horn that there be and hereby is appointed a Special Committee to be known as "Zoning By-Laws Study Committee", consisting of one member of the Planning Board chosen by it, one member of the Board of Selectmen chosen by it, one member of the Board of Assessors chosen by it, one member of the Board of Public Works chosen by it, and three citizens of the Town to be appointed by the Moderator.

The Committee shall study the need for a complete revision of the present Town Zoning By-Laws, make a comprehensive study of industrial and commercial areas available or suitable for development, make a study of utilities presently existing or necessary for said development, and study all matters relating to the purposes set forth in this vote.

The Committee shall have the authority to employ professional assistance to carry out the purposes of this vote, and the authority to request and petition for financial aid from the Federal and/or State governments if in the opinion of the Committee such aid is advisable and desirable.

The Committee shall also consider the following matters:—

1. The advisability of establishing standards for prospective industrial and commercial businesses within the Town.

2. The advisability of creating a permanent committee to investigate, approve, and recommend potential occupants of industrial and commercial districts.

3. The advisability of adopting the so-called improved Method of Planning consisting of a Planning Board with responsibility for subdivision control.

The Committee shall submit a written report to the Town not later than January 1, 1958.

The motion was lost.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the motion under Article 3 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 3 on the table.

The following report was read by Walter S. Hopkins, Jr.

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of Gleason Road**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require

the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running North from a town way now known as South Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Gleason Road.

We determine that no damages will be sustained to any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Gleason Road, and that the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$5,518.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 51. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Gleason Road and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Five Thousand Five Hundred Eighteen Dollars (\$5,518.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

The following report was read by Kenneth R. Johnson.

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of Sturges Road**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Northeast-

erly, Northerly, Northeasterly, Southeasterly, Southwesterly and Westerly from a town way now known as South Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Sturges Road.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Sturges Road, and that the sum of Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred and Forty-Five Dollars (\$15,445.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 52. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Sturges Road and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Fifteen Thousand Four Hundred Forty-Five Dollars (\$15,445.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

The following report was read by Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of Richards Road**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Southwesterly, Northwesterly, and Southwesterly from a private way now known as Tamarack Road, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Richards Road.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this

improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Richards Road, and that the sum of Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Fourteen (\$6,914.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 53. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Richards Road and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Six Thousand Nine Hundred Fourteen Dollars (\$6,914.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

The following report was read by Walter S. Hopkins, Jr.

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of Tamarack Road**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Northeasterly from a town way now known as Wakefield Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Tamarack Road.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Tamarack Road, and that the sum of



Eight Thousand One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$8,140.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 54. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Tamarack Road and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Eight Thousand One Hundred Forty Dollars (\$8,140.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

The following report was read by Kenneth R. Johnson.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

**Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of  
Timberneck Drive**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Westerly and Northwesterly from a town way now known as Haverhill Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Timberneck Drive.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a Public Town Way and named Timberneck Drive, and that the sum of Four Thousand Six Hundred and Thirty Four Dollars (\$4,634.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 55. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Timberneck Drive and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Four Thousand Six Hundred Thirty-Four Dollars (\$4,634.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

The following report was read by Harold D. Kilgore Jr.

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss.

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying out of Irving Street**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location herein-after described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Easterly from a State Highway now known as Main Street to a public way known as Pearl Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Irving Street.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Irving Street, and that the sum of Eleven Thousand, Eight Hundred Forty-four Dollars (\$11,844.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 56. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Irving Street and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Eleven Thousand Eight Hundred Forty-four Dollars (\$11,844.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.



The following report was read by Walter S. Hopkins, Jr.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

**Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of  
Catherine Avenue**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Northwesterly and Southeasterly from a town way known as West Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Catherine Avenue.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Catherine Avenue, and that the sum of Six Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$620.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 57. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Catherine Avenue and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Six Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$620.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

The following report was read by Kenneth R. Johnson.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

**Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of  
Cottage Park**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require

the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location herein-after described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Southwesterly from a private way now known as Catherine Avenue, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Cottage Park.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Cottage Park, and that the sum of Three Hundred and Eighty Dollars (\$380.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 58. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Cottage Park and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of:

Four and 38/100 Dollars (\$4.38) be transferred from Tennis Courts Resurfacing Account,

Twenty-seven Dollars (\$27.00) be transferred from Glenmere Circle Betterment Salaries,

Ten and 68/100 Dollars (\$10.68) be transferred from Glenmere Circle Betterment Expenses,

Two hundred and One and 20/100 Dollars (\$201.20) be transferred from Jere Road Betterment Salaries,

Ninety-two and 37/100 Dollars (\$92.37) be transferred from Jere Road Betterment Expenses,

Fifteen and 12/100 Dollars (\$15.12) be transferred from Lothrop Road Betterment Expenses,

and that the sum of Twenty-nine and 25/100 Dollars (\$29.25) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy, and that said sums aggregating Three Hundred and Eighty Dollars (\$380.00) shall be appropriated for the laying out and construction of said way, and the Town Accountant

be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to carry out the purpose of this vote.

The following report was read by Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

**Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying out of  
Selfridge Road**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Northeasterly, Northerly and Northwesterly from a town way now known as West Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Selfridge Road.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Selfridge Road, and that the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 59. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Selfridge Road, and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Six Hundred (\$600.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

The following report was read by Walter S. Hopkins, Jr.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

**Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of  
Susan Drive**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having deter-

mined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Northwesterly and Northeasterly from a town way now known as Franklin Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Susan Drive.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Susan Drive, and that the sum of Five Hundred and Four Dollars (\$504.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 60. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Susan Drive, and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Five Hundred Four Dollars (\$504.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

ARTICLE 61. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that Article 61 be indefinitely postponed.

The following report was read by Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of Juniper Circle**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relat-



ing to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Northerly from a town way now known as Wakefield Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Juniper Circle.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a Public Town way and named Juniper Circle, and that the sum of Four Hundred and Twenty Dollars (\$420.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 62. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Juniper Circle, and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Four Hundred Twenty Dollars (\$420.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

ARTICLE 63. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that Article 63 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 64. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that Article 64 be indefinitely postponed.

The following report was read by Walter S. Hopkins, Jr.

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of Milton Road**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing, and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town Northerly from a town way



now known as Howard Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Milton Road.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, and betterments are to be assessed therefor.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a public town way and named Milton Road, and that the sum of Six Thousand Seven Hundred and Three Dollars (\$6,703.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 65 On motion of Walter S Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Milton Road, and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Six Thousand Seven Hundred Three Dollars (\$6,703.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

The following report was read by Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Laying Out of Harvard Street Extension**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require the laying out of a town way under the provisions of law authorizing the assessment of betterments, substantially in the location herein-after described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to the owners of land thereof and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out as a town way for the use of the town running Easterly from a town way now known as Lowell Street, substantially as and in the location of the private way known as Harvard Street Extension.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement. All acts in connection with said laying out are done under the provision of law authorizing the assessment of betterments.

This laying out so made by us we hereby report to the Town for

acceptance and recommend that said way shall thereafter be known as a Public Town way and named Harvard Street, and that the sum of Seven Thousand Four Hundred and Sixty Five Dollars (\$7,465.00) be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 66. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the laying out of a Private Way known as Harvard Street, and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Seven Thousand Four Hundred Sixty-five Dollars (\$7,465.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the laying out and construction of said way.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of W. Franklin Burnham, Jr. it was voted to take Article 2 from the table.

The following report was read by Edward W. Batten.

#### **REPORT TO THE TOWN OF READING, MASSACHUSETTS ON THE BUILDING CODE STUDY**

A study of the present building code has been made by the Planning Board. We have made a comparison of our code with those of other municipalities. We have consulted with the Building Officials Conference of America, Inc. and the Massachusetts Department of Public Safety both of whom have prepared codes for towns such as ours.

On the basis of this study it is the feeling of the board that our present code is inadequate for the current needs of the town. Some of the construction specifications are antiquated and do not apply to materials or methods commonly in use today.

The Board recommends that a committee be formed consisting of a registered architect, a registered structural engineer and a licensed builder to work in conjunction with the building inspector to study the present building codes and to make such revisions to the code as they may deem necessary for presentation to the 1958 Town Meeting for official action by the town meeting members.

Respectfully submitted,  
EDWARD W. BATTEN  
ROBERT G. CLINCH  
BENJAMIN M. HARTSHORN  
W. FRANKLIN BURNHAM  
WILLIAM D. SOMERS

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the report be accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 2 on the table.

On motion of W. Franklin Burnham, Jr. it was voted to take Article 3 from the table.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted that there be and hereby is established a Special Committee to be known as "Building Code Study Committee", said Committee to consist of three members; — a registered Architect, a Structural Engineer, and a licensed Builder, to be appointed by the Moderator and each member to be a resident of the Town.

The Committee shall, in conjunction with the Building Inspector, thoroughly study the present Town Building Code, and shall recommend such changes and revisions in said Code as said Committee deems necessary. The Committee shall submit a written report to the Town not later than January 1, 1958.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Carl H. Amon, Jr. it was voted that there be and hereby is established a Special Committee to be known as "Town By-Laws Study Committee", said Committee to consist of the following members: — the Moderator, the Board of Selectmen, and Town Counsel.

The Committee shall study the by-laws of the Town and shall recommend such changes and revisions in said by-laws as said Committee deems necessary. The Committee shall submit a written report to the Town not later than January 1, 1958.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 3 on the table.

ARTICLE 67 On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the sum of Eleven Thousand Dollars (\$11,000) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and appropriated for the purpose of constructing a reinforced concrete box culvert under Lowell Street at Birch Meadow Brook, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

The following report was read by Walter S. Hopkins, Jr.

#### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss

Town of Reading

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Relocation Or Alteration of the Northwesterly Corner of Main Street and South Street**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading, having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require that the public highways be laid out, relocated or altered as and in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to owners of land thereof, and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing, and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out, relocated or altered as public highways for the use of the Town the Northwesterly corner of Main Street and South Street.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement.

No betterments are to be assessed for this improvement.

This laying out, relocation or alteration so made by us, we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that when this report is accepted and adopted by the Town, that said public highways shall therefore be laid out, relocated or altered in accordance with said plan.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 68. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocating or altering of the Northwesterly corner of Main Street and South Street and adopt the recommendations contained therein.

ARTICLE 69. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the gift of Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, Inc. in the amount of Three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) for the purchase of water mains and the installation of the same from Main Street at Hopkins Street to the Business C zoned area southerly of South Street be and the same hereby is accepted, and the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to execute for and on behalf of the Town a receipt and other documents which may be necessary for the acceptance of such gift; and that the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred and Fifty-six and 92/100 Dollars (\$1,556.92) be transferred from the New High School Sewer Construction Account and the sum of Thirteen Thousand Four Hundred and Forty-three and 08/100 dollars (\$13,443.08) be transferred from Surplus Revenue, and that said sums together with the Three Thousand Dollars (\$3,000.00) gift from the Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, Inc., making a total of Eighteen Thousand Dollars (\$18,000.00), be appropriated for the purchase and installation of water mains of not less than six inches but less than sixteen inches in diameter from Main Street at Hopkins Street to the Business C zoned area southerly of South Street, and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 70. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that there be and hereby is established a Special Committee to be known as "Incinerator Study Committee", said Committee to consist of one member of the Board of Public Works chosen by it, one member of the Board of Health chosen by it, one member of the Finance Committee chosen by it, one member of the Capital Expenditures Planning



Committee chosen by it, and four Town Meeting Members to be appointed by the Moderator, one from each of the precincts of the Town.

The Committee, either by itself or in conjunction with "Incinerator Study Committee" appointed by neighboring municipalities, shall consider a plan or plans and program for the erection and operation of a Municipal Incinerator Plant, for the disposal of refuse, to be used solely by the Town of Reading and/or in conjunction with neighboring municipalities, and all matters relating thereto, including the financing thereof. The Committee shall thoroughly study all phases of public dumping and incineration, and shall submit a written report and recommendation regarding same to a subsequent Town Meeting.

ARTICLE 71. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the sum of Sixty-two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$62,300.00) be raised, and appropriated by transferring Thirty-five Thousand Seven Hundred Eighty-seven and Eleven One Hundredths Dollars (\$35,787.11) of said sum from the Road Machinery Fund to the Road Machinery Operating Account and the remaining sum of Twenty-six Thousand Five Hundred Twelve and Eighty-nine One Hundredths Dollars (\$26,512.89) be raised from the Tax Levy and that the total sum of Sixty-two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$62,300.00) be appropriated for the maintenance, repair and operation of road machinery and for the purchase by the Board of Public Works of One (1)  $\frac{3}{4}$  Ton Pick-Up Truck, One (1) 2 Ton Dump Truck, One (1)  $2\frac{1}{2}$  Ton Dump Truck, One (1)  $3\frac{1}{2}$  Ton Dump Truck, Two (2) Crawler-type Sidewalk Tractors, One (1) Portable 125 Cubic Foot Air Compressor, and One (1) Snow Loader, Gasoline Powered, Rubber Mounted and the proceeds received from the sale of equipment be appropriated in addition to the above mentioned sum of Sixty-two Thousand Three Hundred Dollars (\$62,300.00) as part of the purchase price for the above mentioned equipment and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said amount to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 72. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the purpose of improving and constructing a portion of West Street from near Palmer Hill Avenue to the Wilmington-Reading Town Line, together with such sums as may be provided by the State and County under Section 34 of Chapter 90 of the General Laws, and that the sum of Five Thousand (\$5,000.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the purpose of installing a drain culvert of suitable size and design at the intersection of West Street, Willow Street and Summer Avenue, together with such sums as may be provided by the State and County under Section 34 of Chapter 90 of the General Laws.

ARTICLE 73. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the sum of One Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for maintaining, repairing and resurfacing streets constructed under Section 34 of Chapter 90 of



the General Laws together with such sums as may be provided by the State and County.

ARTICLE 74. On Motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the sum of Seven Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$750.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for cleaning and maintenance of the Town Parking Areas located Westerly of Main Street and Northerly of Haven Street; and Northerly of Haven Street and Easterly of Chute Street; said sum to be apportioned as follows:

Five Hundred Sixty-two and Fifty One Hundredths Dollars (\$562.50) for Salaries and One Hundred Eighty-seven and Fifty-one Hundreds Dollars (\$187.50) for Expenses.

ARTICLE 75. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that the sum of Seven Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500.00) be raised and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the purpose of employing consulting engineering services, including field surveys and inspection of construction projects, and plans for the regular construction projects of the Board of Public Works including sewers, storm drains, water, and highways, such sum to be expended by and under the direction of the Board of Public Works.

ARTICLE 76. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that Article 76 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 77. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that Article 77 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 78. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that Article 78 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 79 On motion of Walter S Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that Article X of the General By-Laws of the Town be amended by inserting after Section 5 thereof the following new section to be known as Section 5A:—

Section 5A. No person shall discharge or cause to be discharged from a cellar any ground water on to a public way within the limits of the Town unless a permit therefor is issued by the Board of Public Works.

Any person violating any of the provisions of this section shall be punished by a fine of not more than twenty dollars.

ARTICLE 79. James W. Killam, III, moved that Article 79 be reconsidered.

This motion was lost.

ARTICLE 80. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that Article 80 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 81. On motion of Kenneth R. Johnson it was voted that Article 81 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 82. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the sum of One Thousand One Hundred Dollars (\$1,100.00) be raised

and appropriated from the Tax Levy for the purpose of Fluoridation of the municipal water supply of the Town of Reading, which sum is to be added to the previous appropriation voted for this purpose and is to be used specifically for the purchase of crystalline Sodium Fluoride.

The following report was read by Walter S. Hopkins, Jr.

## **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss.

Town of Reading

### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Relocation or Alteration of a Portion of the Southerly Side Line of South Street and the Southwesterly Corner of South Street and Jacob Way**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading, having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require that the public highways be laid out, relocated or altered as and in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to owners of land thereof, and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing, and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out, relocated or altered as public highways for the use of the town, a portion of the Southerly side line of South Street and the Southwesterly corner of South Street and Jacob Way.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement.

No betterments are to be assessed for this improvement.

This laying out, relocation or alteration so made by us, we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that when this report is accepted and adopted by the Town, that said public highways shall therefore be laid out, relocated or altered in accordance with said plan, and that the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars be raised and appropriated for the construction of said way.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman  
COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 83. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocation or alteration of a portion of the Southerly side line of South Street abutting lands of Jacob N. Zeytoonian and Grace Zeytoonian and adopt the recommendations contained therein, and that the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00) be transferred from the Real Estate Account and be appropriated for the acquisition of land for said relocation or

alteration, and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

The following report was read by Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.

### **COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS**

Middlesex, ss.

Reading, Mass.

#### **Report of the Board of Public Works on the Relocation or Alteration of a Portion of the Westerly Side Line of Pearl Street**

The Board of Public Works of the Town of Reading, having determined and adjudged that common convenience and necessity require that the public highways be laid out, relocated or altered as and in the location hereinafter described, having complied with all requirements of law relating to notice to owners of land thereof, and of a hearing thereon, and having met at the time and place appointed for such hearing, and then and there heard all persons present who desired to be heard, have laid out, relocated or altered as public highways for the use of the Town, a portion of the Westerly side line of Pearl Street.

We determine that no damages will be sustained by any person or persons in their property by reason of the taking to be made for this improvement.

No betterments are to be assessed for this improvement.

This laying out, relocation or alteration so made by us, we hereby report to the Town for acceptance and recommend that when this report is accepted and adopted by the Town, that said public highways shall therefore, be laid out, relocated or altered in accordance with said plan.

(signed) KENNETH R. JOHNSON, Chairman

COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Secretary

WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.

HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.

DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Members of the Board of Public Works  
Town of Reading

ARTICLE 84. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the Town accept the report of the Board of Public Works on the relocation or alteration of a portion of the Westerly side line of Pearl Street near Putnam (Private) Road and adopt the recommendations contained therein.

ARTICLE 85. On motion of Lawrence A. Cate it was voted that Article 85 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to take Article 4 from the table.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that Article 4 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to take Article 3 from the table.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that Article 3 be indefinitely postponed.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to take Article 2 from the table.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that Article 2 be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the meeting be adjourned, sine die, at 10:50 P. M.

134 Town Meeting Members were present.

A true copy

Attest:

BOYD H. STEWART,  
Town Clerk

### **SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

Senior High School Auditorium

May 6, 1957

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Kenneth C. Latham, at 8 P. M.

The warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk when on motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to dispense with further reading of the warrant except the Constable's Return which was then read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 1 on the table.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the sum of Three hundred sixty-seven and 31/100 dollars (\$367.31) be transferred from the Police — New Ambulance Account and the sum of Thirty-four and 69/100 dollars (\$34.69) be transferred from the Police — New Station Wagon Account, and that said sums aggregating Four hundred and two dollars (\$402.00) be appropriated for printing the Town Report for the year 1956, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for printing the Town Report for the year 1956, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Gilbert M. Lothrop it was voted that the sum of Five hundred dollars (\$500.00) be transferred from Fire — New Two-Way Radio Account and be appropriated for Civil Defense, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Civil Defense, said sum to be expended under the direction of the Board of Selectmen, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of One Hundred and seventy-five dollars (\$175.00) be transferred from Rebuilding Hose 2 Fire House Study Account and be appropriated for Municipal Building Janitor's Salary, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Municipal Building Janitor's Salary, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 5. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and be appropriated for the purchase of chairs for the Old High School Building, and that the Town Accountant be and hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 6. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized, for and on behalf of the Town, to convey or abandon, upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, that portion of the easement acquired by the Town for installation of water mains, and any other right, title and interest which the Inhabitants of the Town of Reading may have in portions of a Private Town Way known as Gleason (Private) Road, and bounded and described as follows:—

Parcel 1. — Area 376 Square Feet. Bounded Easterly by Gleason (Private) Road — 41.20 feet Northerly by Parcel 2 as shown on a Plan hereinafter described — 26.66 feet Southwesterly by a reverse curve abutting Lot "A" 7 as shown on said plan — 33.64 feet and 14.62 feet.

Parcel 2. — Area 1616 Square Feet. Bounded Easterly by Gleason (Private) Road — 71.72 feet Southerly by Parcel 1, said plan — 26.66 feet Northwesterly by a curved line having a radius of 50.0 feet, abutting Lot "A" 8 said plan — 85.39 feet.

Parcel 3. — Area 2078 Square Feet. Bounded Westerly by Gleason (Private) Road — 83.45 feet Easterly by a curved line having a radius of 50.0 feet, abutting Lot "A" 9 said plan — 100.02 feet Southerly by Parcel 4, said plan — 13.36 feet.

Parcel 4. — Area 120 Square Feet. Bounded Westerly by Gleason (Private) Road — 29.46 feet Northerly by Parcel 3, said plan — 13.36 feet Southeasterly by a curved line having a radius of 40.0 feet, abutting Lot "A" 10 said plan — 33.64 feet.

All of said parcels herein described being shown on a Plan entitled "Plan of a Portion of Gleason (Private) Road, Reading, Mass., showing Areas To Be Abandoned" dated April 22, 1957. Scale 1 inch = 40 feet, Board of Public Works, James T. Putnam, Superintendent, said Plan being a part of this description.

Gleason (Private) Road, running Northerly from South Street Westerly from and parallel with Pine Ridge Road, was approved by the Board of Survey on June 11, 1951. At that time Gleason Road terminated in a cul-de-sac, with a forty foot strip reserved for a future proposed extension running Northerly from the cul-de-sac to a large undeveloped area.



In 1955 the undeveloped area was approved for development, and Gleason Road was extended Northerly. In 1957, the original Gleason Road was accepted as a public town way at the March 1957 adjourned Annual Town Meeting.

The extension of Gleason Road, which will eventually be a through way to Pine Ridge Road, makes the original cul-de-sac unnecessary, and the purpose of this Article is to abandon said cul-de-sac.

Four parcels of land will receive the benefit of this abandonment.

The Town will then not be compelled to maintain the sides or segments of the cul-de-sac.

111 vote in the affirmative.

0 voted in the negative.

ARTICLE 7. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be and they hereby are authorized to sell and convey on behalf of the Town, upon such terms and conditions as they may determine, the following described lots of land and building:—

1. The land with the building thereon, situated in Reading, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, shown on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Reading, Mass. Owned by Inhabitants of the Town of Reading", by James T. Putnam, Supt., dated July, 1956, to be recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, and bounded and described as follows:

SOUTHERLY by Salem Street (formerly called Lowell Street), one hundred twenty-one and 66/100 (121.66) feet;

WESTERLY by other land of the Town of Reading, one hundred seventeen and 13/100 (117.13) feet;

NORTHERLY by other land of the Town of Reading, shown as Laurel Hill Cemetery on said plan, and by land of the Old South Methodist Church in Reading, one hundred twenty-one and 55/100 (121.55) feet,

EASTERLY by land of the Old South Methodist Church in Reading, one hundred twenty-three and 10/100 (123.10) feet; containing 14,606 square feet of land.

2. The land situated in Reading, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, shown as Lot C on a plan entitled "Plan of Land in Reading, Mass. Owned by Inhabitants of the Town of Reading", by James T. Putnam, Supt. dated April 22, 1957, to be recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, and bounded and described as follows:—

NORTHERLY by other land of the Town of Reading, one hundred twenty-one and 66/100 (121.66) feet;

EASTERLY by lot A on plan entitled "Plan Showing Alterations of Street Lines in Town of Reading, July 1930, Scale 1 inch = 10 feet, Davis and Abbott, Civil Engineers, Reading, which plan is recorded with Book 5527, Page 161, Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, five (5) feet;

SOUTHERLY by Salem Street, one hundred twenty-one and 75/100 (121.75) feet, more or less;

WESTERLY by Salem Street, at the entrance to Laurel Hill Cemetery, five (5) feet; containing 608.5 square feet, more or less.

3. The land situated in Reading, Middlesex County, Massachusetts, shown as Lot A on "Plan Showing Alteration of Street Lines in the Town of Reading, dated July 1930, Davis and Abbott, Civil Engineers", which plan is recorded with Book 5527, Page 161, Middlesex South Registry of Deeds, and bounded and described as follows:—

BEGINNING at a point ten and 10/100 (10.10) feet Westerly from a stone bound at the Northwesterly corner of Main and Salem Streets, thence the line runs Westerly ninety-five (95) feet, by land of the Old South Methodist Church in Reading; thence turning and running Southwesterly five (5) feet by other land of the Town of Reading; thence turning and running Easterly seventy-seven and 25/100 (77.25) feet by the new line of Salem Street; and thence Northeasterly by a curved line having a radius of thirty-four (34) feet a length of eighteen and 67/100 (18.67) feet to the point of beginning; containing 446 square feet of land, more or less.

128 voted in the affirmative  
0 voted in the negative

ARTICLE 8. On motion of Boyd H. Stewart it was voted that Schedule A Job Classifications under Article VIII-A of the By-Laws relating to the Wage and Hour Classification Plan be and the same is hereby amended in the following manner:—

Add after Hearing Reporter, the following new Classification:

BUILDING SUPERINTENDENT: Assists in the management and supervises the maintenance of the Old High School Building. Responsible for cleaning, repair and maintenance of mechanical and electrical equipment, plumbing, and structure of said Building. Provides special services such as labor for intra-office moving and makes arrangements for additional lighting and renovations. Responsible for scheduling the use of the auditorium in said Building for civic or private purposes. May allocate, requisition, and maintain office furniture. May show empty offices to prospective tenants. Keeps records of labor and material costs for operation and maintenance of Building, and issues periodic reports to the Board of Selectmen.

Amend Section 12, General Government, of the Salary & Wage Schedule, by establishing the weekly minimum and maximum rates for the new Job Classification of Building Superintendent as follows—

Classification	Weekly	
	Min.	Max.
<b>Section 12, General Government</b>		
Building Superintendent .....	\$70.00	\$90.00

ARTICLE 9. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the sum of Forty-three Thousand One Hundred Sixty-seven and Eighty-one Hundredths (\$43,167.81) Dollars be appropriated for the permanent construction of Summer Avenue, between Main Street and Woburn Street, and to meet said appropriation the sum of Forty-three Thousand One Hundred Sixty-seven and Eighty-one Hun-

dredths (\$43,167.81) Dollars be transferred from the proceeds received from the State under the provisions of Chapter 718 of the Acts of 1956 as amended by Chapter 18 of the Acts of 1957.

ARTICLE 10. On motion of Robert E. Turner it was voted that the sum of Six thousand dollars (\$6,000.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and be appropriated for the purchase and installation of Safety and Fire Protection Equipment in the school buildings, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 1. On motion of John H. Austin it was voted to take Article 1 from the table.

The following report was read by John H. Austin

### **Report of the Highland School Rebuilding Committee**

The Highland School Rebuilding Committee, established under Article 3 of the Warrant for the Annual Town Meeting, March 18, 1957, submits herewith its report and recommendations for the rebuilding of the Highland School, damaged by fire on March 6, 1957.

Article 3 of the Town Warrant for 1957 dealing with repair and rebuilding of the school and purchase of equipment for the same was so voted by the Town on motion as follows:

Article 3. On motion of Robert E. Turner it was voted that there be and hereby is established a special committee to be known as the Highland School Rebuilding Committee for the purpose of repairing and rebuilding the Highland School and equipping said building, and the members of said committee to be the same as the members of the Forest Street School building Committee.

The Rebuilding Committee, as established by Article 3 included the following:

John H. Austin  
Thomas F. Galvin  
William E. Florence  
George R. Larson  
William E. Burpee — School Committee  
Kenneth R. Johnson — Board of Public Works  
Emerson A. Willard — Finance Committee

### **Planning**

The Committee held its first meeting at the Highland School March 30, 1957, electing John H. Austin, Chairman, and Thomas F. Galvin, secretary. The architect, Clinton F. Goodwin, originally engaged by the School Committee, turned over to this committee all data compiled to date on the reconstruction of the school.

The committee met with the School Committee to evaluate the extent of repairs and the needs of the school. From these discussions and after coordination with requirements of the Massachusetts Department of Public Safety the architect was able to prepare preliminary plans and estimates. It early became evident that some upgrading

of the building facilities was necessary in addition to strict fire damage repairs and Public Safety requirement, as future plans indicate this school will be a necessary adjunct to the Reading school system for many years to come.

Representatives of this Committee and the School Committee met with the Finance Committee to discuss the recommendations herein contained.

**Scope**

The recommendations of this Committee are as follows:

Rebuild the present roof, saving as much of the original roof framing as is structurally sound. Repair or replace all fire and water-damaged portions of the building and equipment.

Incorporate into the building changes requested by the Department of Public Safety which include fire stops at stairways and stair-halls, entrance and egress improvements, and ventilation control.

Modernize the building by

1. Installing classroom wall cabinets to care for the varied materials, books, and equipment used in today's elementary educational program.
2. Adapt the kitchen and lunch program facilities to properly care for the large number of children taking advantage of the program.
3. Improve the toilet facilities by installing new metal toilet compartments in both boys' and girls' toilet rooms.

**Cost of the Project**

Repairs and Renovations .....	\$141,780.00
Architect's and Engineers' Fees .....	9,300.00
Equipment, including replacement of that destroyed, salvaging and refinishing partially damaged items .....	20,920.00
Contingencies .....	20,000.00
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Total cost .....	\$192,000.00

**Financing**

On the basis of an appropriation of \$192,000.00 being approved by the Town, the Finance Committee has suggested the financing of the project in the following manner:

From available funds .....	\$ 92,000.00
Bond issue, 5-year, within debt limit .....	100,000.00
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Total appropriation .....	\$192,000.00

(signed) JOHN H. AUSTIN  
EMERSON A. WILLARD  
GEORGE R. LARSON  
THOMAS F. GALVIN  
WILLIAM E. BURPEE  
KENNETH R. JOHNSON



On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that Report be accepted as a Report of progress.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 1 on the table.

ARTICLE 11. On motion of John H. Austin it was voted that the sum of One Hundred and ninety-two thousand dollars (\$192,000.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of repairing and reconstructing the Highland School building and for the purchase of equipment and furnishings for said building; and to meet said appropriation Fifty-two thousand dollars (\$52,000.00) be appropriated by transferring said sum from Surplus Revenue, and Forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) be appropriated by transferring said sum from Overlay Surplus Reserve Fund, and the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and empowered to transfer said sum to carry out the purpose of this vote, and that the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, be and he hereby is authorized to borrow the sum of One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) to be borrowed within the statutory limit under the authority of Chapter 275 of the Acts of 1948 as amended, and to issue bonds or notes of the Town for the said One hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000.00) payable in accordance with the provisions of said Chapter 275 and of the General Laws of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts so that the whole loan shall be paid in not more than five years from the date of issue of the first bond or note, or at such earlier time as the Treasurer and Selectmen may determine, and said bonds and notes shall be signed by the Treasurer and countersigned by the Selectmen, and the Highland School Rebuilding Committee established under the vote of the Town at the Annual Town Meeting held on March 18, 1957, is hereby authorized to proceed with the repairing and reconstructing of said Highland School building and the purchase and installation of equipment and furnishings for said building and to enter into all contracts and agreements with respect thereto, and to do all other acts and things necessary or proper for carrying out the provisions of this vote.

125 voted in the affirmative

0 voted in the negative

ARTICLE 12. On motion of R. Tracy Eddinger it was voted that the sum of Two Hundred dollars (\$200.00) be raised and appropriated for the purpose of maintaining state-aided vocational education in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 74, General Laws and Acts amendatory thereto or dependent thereon, and that such sum be expended by and under the direction of the School Committee.

76 voted in the affirmative

44 voted in the negative

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to take Article 1 from the table.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that Article 1 be indefinitely postponed.



On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to adjourn, sine die, at 10:00 P M.

132 Town Meeting Members were present.

A true copy

Attest

Town Clerk

### **SPECIAL STATE PRIMARY**

November 19, 1957

Pursuant to the warrant and the Constable's Return thereon a Special State Primary was held at the time and places specified and was called to order by the wardens, in the precincts as follows:

Precinct 1	Pearl Street School	Boyd H. Stewart
Precinct 2	Joshua Eaton School	Lawrence Drew
Precinct 3	Joshua Eaton School	Lawrence Drew
Precinct 4	Senior High School	Kenneth C. Latham

who then read the warrant and the officer's return and duly examined the ballot boxes and found them to be empty and registered 000.

The polls were then declared open at 7 A. M. and were closed at 8 P. M. with the following result: 1748 Republican Votes and 95 Democrat Votes for a total of 1843, as follows:

### **BALLOT OF THE REPUBLICAN PARTY**

#### **Representative in General Court**

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Totals
James E. Calvin, Reading .....	209	425	241	355	1230
John P. Collins, Reading .....	60	101	169	77	407
Arthur J. Gorrasi, Woburn .....	6	16	17	14	53
Stanley Roketenetz, Woburn .....	1	0	0	0	1
Clarence E. Wedge, North Reading .....	12	10	3	17	42
Blanks .....	5	5	3	2	15
	<hr/> 293	<hr/> 557	<hr/> 433	<hr/> 465	<hr/> 1748

### **BALLOT OF THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY**

#### **Representative in General Court**

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Totals
Joseph F. Brawley, North Reading .....	8	5	7	10	30
Albert B. Carlson, Woburn .....	5	2	4	1	12
Thomas F. Donahue, Woburn .....	9	13	10	14	46
Vincent V. Nash, Woburn .....	0	1	1	2	4
Blanks .....	0	2	0	1	3
	<hr/> 22	<hr/> 23	<hr/> 22	<hr/> 28	<hr/> 95

The votes were declared in open Town Meeting, sealed in ballot envelopes and transmitted to the Town Clerk to be placed in the town building vault for safe keeping.

Voted to adjourn sine die, 8:20 P. M. November 19, 1957.

Attest

BOYD H. STEWART  
Town Clerk

**SPECIAL TOWN MEETING**

Reading Memorial High School November 25, 1957

The meeting was called to order by the Moderator, Kenneth C. Latham, at 8:00 P. M.

The warrant was partially read by the Town Clerk, when on motion of Lawrence Drew, it was voted to dispense with further reading of the warrant except the Constable's Return which was then read by the Town Clerk.

ARTICLE 1. The following report was read by Irving C. Austin.

**Report of Committee on Memorial High School**

At the regular Town Meeting \$1,400.00 was appropriated to be spent by this Committee under the direction of the School Committee for proper lettering on the building and suitable tablet inside.

With the help of Mr. Howard Clinch, all plans were completed so that the new High School was dedicated on Sunday afternoon, June 9, 1957, as The Reading Memorial High School, and a Scroll in honor of the boys of World War II and Korea unveiled by Mrs. Richard Cobb in the entrance lobby.

The expenses were as follows:

Cost of letters on tower installed .....	\$ 440.00
Cost of flags and holders .....	138.50
Cost of table under Scroll .....	31.05
Cost of engrossed Scroll .....	350.00
Cost of framing Scroll .....	75.00
Cost of programs .....	75.00
Cost of flowers on table .....	7.50
Cost of supervision (janitors, etc.) .....	25.00
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Total .....	\$ 1,142.05

The Committee wishes to thank Donald Sias for his help on the programs, also the School Committee for their cooperation, and Supt. Perry, Principal Sussmann, and the High School Band for their assistance at the Dedication.

This Committee suggests that the balance be used by the School Committee towards a flagpole and flag for the Athletic Field.

Respectfully submitted,

(Signed) FLOYD BROWN

NEWELL H. MORTON

ROBERT E. TURNER

RALPH WILSON

IRVING C. AUSTIN, Chairman

ARTICLE 1. The following report was read by William H. Dolben, Jr.

#### **Report of Finance Committee**

The Finance Committee wishes to amend its report, previously filed, by striking out the sum of \$26.55 under Article 7 and substituting therefore the sum of Two Hundred (\$200.00) so that the report of the Finance Committee under Article 7 reads as follows:

"Recommend transfer of \$200.00 from Senior High School Dedication".

(Signed) WILLIAM H. DOLBEN, JR.  
Chairman Finance Committee

ARTICLE 1. On motion of Robert M. Graham it was voted that the Board of Selectmen be hereby instructed and ordered to proceed immediately, by legal means, to remove the buildings and hazards located at the former Reading Custom Laundry property on John Street.

(Signed) ROBERT M. GRAHAM

ARTICLE 1. On motion of Robert M. Graham it was moved that the Board of Public Works, acting as Water Commissioners, be instructed and ordered, immediately, to establish an equitable water rate for commercial users, embodying demand and sprinkler charges, and said rate be established on or before December 31, 1957.

Votes in the Affirmative ..... 27

Votes in the Negative ..... 102

Motion lost

(Signed) ROBERT M. GRAHAM

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to place Article 1 on the table.

ARTICLE 2. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) be transferred from the Police Department Salaries Account and be appropriated for Police Station Maintenance, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Police Station Maintenance, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Police Station Maintenance, to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 3. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of One thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) be transferred from the Police

Department Salaries Account and be appropriated for Police Department Maintenance, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Police Department Maintenance, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Police Department Maintenance to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 4. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of One thousand one hundred twenty dollars (\$1,120.00) be transferred from the Fire Department Salaries Account and the sum of Three Hundred eighty dollars (\$380.00) be transferred from the Fire Department Call Men Salaries Account, and that said sums aggregating Fifteen hundred dollars (\$1500.00) be appropriated for Fire Department Maintenance, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Fire Department Maintenance, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to the account for Fire Department Maintenance to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 5. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Six Hundred Dollars (\$600.00) be transferred from the Fire Department Call Men Salaries Account and be appropriated for Fire Alarm Maintenance Salaries, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Fire Alarm Maintenance Salaries, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Fire Alarm Maintenance Salaries to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 6. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of Four thousand, four hundred twenty-four dollars (\$4,424.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and be appropriated for Insurance, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Insurance and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Insurance to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 7. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of Two hundred dollars (\$200.00) be transferred from the Senior High School Dedication Account and be appropriated for Town Forest, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Town Forest, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Town Forest to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 8. On motion of James E. Calvin it was voted that the sum of Two thousand dollars (\$2000.00) be transferred from the Interest Account and the sum of Five Hundred dollars (\$500.00) be transferred from the Traffic Control Account, and that said sum aggregating Twenty-five Hundred dollars (\$2500.00) be appropriated for Election and Registration Expenses, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Election and Registration, and that the

Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to the account for Election and Registration Expenses to carry out the purpose of this vote.

Article 9. On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that the sum of One hundred dollars (\$100.00) be transferred from the Land Court Expense Account and be appropriated for Parking Areas Maintenance, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Parking Areas Maintenance, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account of Parking Areas Maintenance to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 10. On motion of Lawrence Drew is was voted that the gift of the Service Organization of the Town of Reading in the amount of One Thousand six hundred fifty-five and 13/100 dollars (\$1,655.13) for the purchase of chairs for the Old High School Building be and the same hereby is accepted, and the Town Treasurer be and he hereby is authorized to execute for and on behalf of the Town a receipt and other documents which may be necessary for the acceptance of such gift; and that the sum of Seven Hundred Sixty-seven and 66/100 dollars (\$767.66) be transferred from the Old High School Building Chair Account, and the sum of One thousand thirty-four dollars (\$1,034.00) be transferred from the Community Center Receipts Reserved for Appropriation Account, and that said sums together with the One thousand, six hundred fifty-five and 13/100 dollars (\$1,655.13) gift from the Service Organizations of the Town of Reading, making a total of Three thousand four hundred fifty-six and 79/100 (\$3,456.79), be appropriated for Old High School Building Maintenance, said sums to be added to the previous appropriation for Old High School Building Maintenance, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to the account for Old High School Building Maintenance to carry out the purpose of this vote, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is further authorized and instructed to change the name of said maintenance from Old High School Building Maintenance Account to Reading Community Center Maintenance Account.

ARTICLE 11. On motion of Robert E. Turner it was voted that the sum of Five thousand Dollars (\$5,000.00) be transferred from the School Salaries Account and be appropriated for School Transportation, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for School Transportation, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for School Transportation to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 12. On motion of Newell H. Morton it was voted that the sum of Twenty-five hundred dollars (\$2,500.00) be transferred from the Old Age Assistance, Aid Account, and be appropriated for the Disability Assistance, Aid Account, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for the Disability Assistance, Aid Account, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instruct-



ed to transfer said sum to said Disability Assistance, Aid Account to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 13. On motion of Coleman J. Donohue it was voted that the sum of One hundred sixty dollars (\$160.00) be transferred from Rachel Road Betterment Salaries Account, and the sum of Three hundred seventy-eight and 57/100 dollars (\$378.57) be transferred from John Carver Road Betterment Salaries Account, and the sum of Twenty-five and 45/100 (\$25.45) be transferred from John Carver Road Betterment Expenses Account, and the sum of Six and 18/100 dollars (\$6.18) be transferred from the Batchelder Road Betterment Salaries Account, and the sum of Four hundred and three and 71/100 dollars (\$403.71) be transferred from the Overlook Road Betterment Salaries Account, and the sum of One Hundred Forty-nine and 35/100 dollars (\$149.35) be transferred from the Overlook Road Betterment Expenses Account, and the sum of One hundred twenty-five dollars (\$125.00) be transferred from the South Street Relocation Account, and the sum of Two thousand seven hundred fifty-one and 74/100 dollars (\$2,751.74) be transferred from Surplus Revenue, and that said sums aggregating Four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) be appropriated for Salaries for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Salaries for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sums to the account for Salaries for Construction and Maintenance of Highways to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 14. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the sum of Five thousand dollars (\$5,000.00) be transferred from Water Available Surplus Account and be appropriated for Salaries for Maintenance and Operation of Water Works, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Salaries for Maintenance and Operation of Water Works, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Salaries for Maintenance and Operation of Water Works to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 15. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the sum of Four thousand dollars (\$4,000.00) be transferred from the Water Available Surplus Account and be appropriated for Expenses for Maintenance and Operation of Water Works, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Expenses for Maintenance and Operation of Water Works, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Expenses for Maintenance and Operation of Water Works to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 16. On motion of Coleman J. Donohue it was voted that the sum of Seven Hundred dollars (\$700.00) be transferred from the Salaries for the Maintenance and Operation of the Sewer Account and

be appropriated for Expenses for the Maintenance and Operation of the Sewer System, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Expenses for the Maintenance and Operation of the Sewer System, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Expenses for the Maintenance and Operation of the Sewer System to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 17. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the sum of Eight hundred dollars (\$800.00) be transferred from the Salaries for Maintenance of Park Department and Supervised Play Account and be appropriated for Expenses for the Maintenance of Park Department and Commons and Supervised Play, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Expenses for the Maintenance of Park Department and Commons and Supervised Play, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Expenses for the Maintenance of Park Department and Commons and Supervised Play to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 18. On motion of Harold D. Kilgore, Jr. it was voted that the sum of Three thousand dollars (\$3,000.00) be transferred from the Jacob Way Construction Salaries Account and be appropriated for Jacob Way Construction Expenses, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Jacob Way Construction Expenses, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Jacob Way Construction Expenses to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 19. On motion of Coleman J. Donahue it was voted that the sum of Two thousand (\$2,000.00) be transferred from Surplus Revenue and be appropriated for Expenses for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for Expenses for Construction and Maintenance of Highways, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to the account for Expenses for Construction and Maintenance of Highways to carry out the purpose of this vote.

ARTICLE 20. On motion of Walter S. Hopkins, Jr. it was voted that the sum of Thirty-three hundred dollars (\$3,300.00) be transferred from the Road Machinery Fund and be appropriated for the Road Machinery Operating Account, which appropriation is to be added to the previous appropriation for the Road Machinery Operating Account, and that the Town Accountant be and he hereby is authorized and instructed to transfer said sum to said Road Machinery Operating Account to carry out the purpose of this vote.

On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted that Article 1 be taken from the table.

## ARTICLE 1.

The following report was read by Edward W. Batten.

### PLANNING BOARD

#### Report of Public Hearing

On Monday, November 18, 1957, your Planning Board held a Public Hearing, as duly advertised in the Reading Chronicle November 7, and 14, 1957, on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning By-Laws and Map:

Change from Residence A-2 District to Business A District the following described area:

Beginning at a point forming the intersection of the Northwesterly side line of West Street as relocated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the boundary line between the City of Woburn and the Town of Reading and

THENCE running North 35° 00' 37" East along said Northwesterly side line of West Street, one hundred thirty-three and 07/100 (133.07) feet;

THENCE turning and running North 33° 48' 44" West three hundred sixty-five (365), more or less;

THENCE turning and running North 80° 03' West thirty-nine (39) feet, more or less;

THENCE turning and running South 21° 15' 57" East four hundred thirty and 83/100 (430.83) feet, more or less, to the point of beginning.

The Planning Board finds that in as much as hardship of an individual should not be considered as a valid reason for re-zoning, we have no alternative but to consider this petition solely on the merits of Zoning.

Consistent with good planning practices and other previous recommendations of the Board in cases of non-conforming uses, we can not recommend this proposed change.

As hardship exists in this particular case, relief might be sought via the Board of Appeals.

On motion of C. Dewey Smith it was voted that report be accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted that Article 1 be laid on the table.

ARTICLE 21. On motion of G. Warren Cochrane, Jr. it was voted that the Zoning By-Laws and Zoning Map of the Town of Reading dated February 13, 1942, as amended, be and the same hereby are amended by changing the following described area now zoned as part of Residence A-2 District to Business-A District;

Beginning at a point forming the intersection of the Northwesterly side line of West Street as relocated by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the boundary line between the City of Woburn and Town of Reading and

THENCE running North 35° 00' 37" East along said Northwesterly side line of said West Street, one hundred thirty-three and 07/100 (133.07) feet;

THENCE turning and running North 33° 48' 44" West three hundred sixty-five (365) feet, more or less;

THENCE turning and running North 80° 03' West thirty-nine (39) feet, more or less;

THENCE turning and running South 21° 15' 57" East four hundred thirty and 83/100 (430.83) feet, more or less, to the Point of beginning.

Votes in the affirmative ..... 148

Votes in the Negative ..... 0

On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted to take Article 1 from the table.

ARTICLE 1. The following report was read by Edward W. Batten.

**PLANNING BOARD**

**Report of Public Hearing**

On Monday, October 23, 1957, your Planning Board held a Public Hearing, as duly advertised in the Reading Chronicle October 17, and 24, 1957, on the following proposed amendment to the Zoning By-Laws and Map, that would change the following described area from Residence A-2 District to Business A District:

Beginning at a point in the center line of Franklin Street 250.0 feet Westerly from the center line of Main Street at the present boundary line on Franklin Street between the Business A District and the Residence A-2 District;

THENCE Westerly along the center line of said Franklin Street 230 feet to a point, said point being 480 feet Westerly from the center line of Main Street;

THENCE Northerly 445 feet to a point, said point being 462 feet Westerly from the center line of said Main Street, and further described as being at a property corner between lands of First National Stores, Inc. and lands now or formerly of Max and Joseph Sandler.

THENCE Easterly along said last described property line a distance of 462 feet to the center line of said Main Street;

THENCE Southerly by said center line of Main Street 40 feet to a point, said point being located 350 feet Northerly from the center line of Franklin Street at the present boundary line on Main Street between the Business A District and the Residence A-2 District;

THENCE Easterly along the Northerly boundary line of the present Business A District a distance of 250 feet to a point;

THENCE turning and running Southerly, along the Westerly boundary of the present Business A District, a distance of 350 feet to the center line of Franklin Street at the point of beginning of the description.



The area of the parcel of land herein described is estimated to contain 2.41 acres, more or less.

The Planning Board does not recommend that the Business Zone in this area be altered at this time. At present we have filed application for Federal Aid under Section 701, Title 7, of The Housing Act of 1954. Matching funds when approved, will be provided by the Federal Government to carry out a very comprehensive study of the Town's zoning requirements. Professional assistance in the form of a State approved Planning Consultant, selected by the Planning Board, will work with the Board in the development of a Master Plan for Reading.

The entire area will receive a great deal of consideration under Master Planning. Any enlargement or extension of the present Business A District should be done only after a full study and investigation of the entire Business A District in that area has been made.

On motion of C. Dewey Smith it was voted that report be accepted and placed on file.

On motion of Edward W. Batten it was voted that Article 1 be laid on the table.

ARTICLE 22. On motion of H. Nelson Bates it was voted that the Zoning By-Laws and Zoning Map of the Town of Reading dated February 13, 1942, as amended, be and the same hereby are amended by changing the following described area now zoned as part of Residence A-2 District to Business-A District:

Beginning at a point in the center line of Franklin Street 250.0 feet Westerly from the center line of Main Street at the present boundary line on Franklin Street between the Business A District and the Residence A-2 District;

THENCE Westerly along the center line of said Franklin Street 230 feet to a point, said point being 480 feet Westerly from the center line of Main Street;

THENCE Northerly 445 feet to a point, said point being 462 feet Westerly from the center line of said Main Street, and further described as being at a property corner between lands of First National Stores, Inc. and lands now or formerly of Max and Joseph Sandler;

THENCE Easterly along said last described property line a distance of 462 feet to the center line of said Main Street;

THENCE Southerly by said center line of Main Street 40 feet to a point, said point being located 350 feet Northerly from the center line of Franklin Street at the present boundary line on Main Street between the Business A district and the Residence A-2 District;

THENCE Westerly along the Northerly boundary line of the present Business A District a distance of 250 feet to a point;

THENCE turning and running Southerly, along the Westerly boundary of the present Business A District, a distance of 350 feet to the center line of Franklin Street at the point of beginning, of the description.



The area of the Parcel of land herein described is established to contain 2.41 acres, more or less.

Votes in the affirmative ..... 112  
Votes in the negative ..... 21

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to take Article 1 from the table.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted that Article 1 be indefinitely postponed.

On motion of Lawrence Drew it was voted to adjourn, sine die, at 10:20 P. M.

157 Town Meeting Members were present.

A true copy

BOYD H STEWART  
Town Clerk

**SPECIAL STATE ELECTION**

December 10, 1957

Pursuant to the warrant and the Constable's Return thereof a Special State Election was held at the time and places specified and was called to order by the wardens, in the precincts as follows:

Precinct 1	Pearl Street School	Boyd H. Stewart
Precinct 2	Joshua Eaton School	Lawrence Drew
Precinct 3	Joshua Eaton School	Lawrence Drew
Precinct 4	Senior High School	Kenneth C. Latham

who then read the warrant and the officer's return and duly examined the ballot boxes and found them to be empty and registered 000.

The polls were then declared open at 7 A. M. and were closed at 8:00 P. M. with the following result:

**Representative in General Court**

	Prec. 1	Prec. 2	Prec. 3	Prec. 4	Totals
James E. Calvin of Reading .....	406	692	553	728	2379
Thomas F. Donohue of Woburn .....	79	95	71	93	338
Blanks .....	3	0	4	4	11
Totals .....	488	787	628	825	2728

The votes were declared in open Town Meeting, sealed in Ballot envelopes and transmitted to the Town Clerk to be placed in the vault for safe keeping.

Voted to adjourn, sine die, 8:10. December 10, 1957

Attest

BOYD H. STEWART,  
Town Clerk

# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1957

Date	Name	Parents
January		
2	Mark Joseph Warren	Charles J. and Jeannette E.
2	Patricia Lucile Parker	Robert S. and Lucile H.
3	Christine Woodruff	Robert E. and Muriel
3	Carl Mark Marchio	Anthony F. and Josephine M.
4	Robert Lawrence Burnham	Hartley M. and Nancy A.
4	Raymond William Erhardt, Jr.	Raymond W. and Josephine M.
5	Theresa Mary Fereshetian	Charles M. and Theresa A.
6	William Francis Cotreau	Delmer D. and Edna C.
7	Lee Ann Racine	Harvey J. and Elizabeth E.
8	Nancy Shea	Robert T. and Dorothy M.
10	Anne Marie Locke	William E. and Barbara A.
12	Donna Mary Coyne	Walter D., Jr. and Gladys M.
12	Douglas Bruce Mildram	Roland O. and Laura J.
13	Kathryn Ann Ryan	William B. and Kathryn A.
13	Kenneth Allan Saunders	Ocran O. and Elsie L.
13	William Karl Leder	Erwin K. and Anne H.
14	Robert George Santoro, Jr.	Robert G. and Sylvia M.
15	Jane Lee Pheeney	Lee E. and Fairlee
17	— McNaney	Albert J. and Ruth M.
18	Anita Elisabeth Hall	Edward L. and Jane
19	Mary Ann Rienzo	John J., Jr. and Frances A.
20	Jeffery Scott Brand	Robert R. and Ilene M.
21	John Wentworth Dawson	Donald A. and Helen G.
21	Judeth Marie Leonard	Elmer J. and Rita E.
22	Lisa Joan Boyd	Kenneth W. and Joan W.
22	Allan Munroe Rice	Norman E. and Jane A.
22	Stephen Walter Garey	DeMelle C. and Marion E.
24	Sharran Elizabeth Lake	William and Shirley E.
26	Robert Steven Jaynes	Melvin J. and Mildred M.
29	Sharon Mae Gardner	Raymond R. and Margaret I.
31	Leslie Anne Kristine Thompsen	Leonard and Audrey C.
31	Nancy Ann Keleher	John L., Jr. and Elfredia M.
February		
1	Nancy Lane Reilly	Daniel J. and Kathleen A.
1	Stephen Jon Messenger	Donald D. and Margaret V.
5	Mark Edward Callahan	Walter L. and Frances G.
7	Francis Anthony Misiewicz, Jr.	Francis A. and Marian A.
7	Barbara Ann Sumberg	Robert P. and Virginia M.
8	Julia Gibson Westwater	William A. and Jean
11	David Samuel Lake, Jr.	David S. and Carol
11	William Herbert Fuller, Jr.	William H. and Grace J.
13	Kevin Storti	John, Jr. and Virginia R.

# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1957

Date	Name	Parents
February		
14	Andrea Alma Soracco	Frank T. and Fay B.
15	Alan Chandler Rowe	Ernest Y. and Frieda
15	Karen Patricia Doucette	Arthur E. and Mary R.
16	Joseph Peter Mastromarino III	Joseph P., Jr. and Louise E.
17	Ralph Cusato, 3rd	Ralph, Jr. and Genevieve M.
17	John Paul Pacino	John B. and Marjorie R.
17	Wayne Bruce Roldan	Luis and Nilda
18	Laura Beth McKay	Donald A. and Marie T.
19	David Charles Duclos	Francis G. and Gloria G.
19	Elaine Grace Burnham	George D. and Eleanor V.
19	Shelley Amanda Smith	Wilson R. and Amanda B.
21	Thomas Perry Cronin	John F. and Elizabeth C.
22	Lisa Louise Bacigalupo	Charles A. and Mary F.
22	Karen Marie Vatcher	James L. and Elizabeth L.
22	Michael Joseph Moran	Francis J. and Bettie S.
23	James Edwin Cummings	John M. and Nancy
26	Steven Lawrence Starkey	David C. and Charline
26	Lesley Ann Carlson	George W., Jr. and Elvira G.
28	William Edward Perry	Edward J. and Doris G.
March		
2	Debra Lee Buckley	George J. and Katherine R.
6	Karen Grace Oeschger	Richard H. and Josephine
6	— Rowe	Thomas M. and Shirley E.
7	— Penno	Joseph and Polly
9	Kathleen Mary Galvin	John J. and Patricia E.
9	Paul Kevin Dodge	Daniel L. and Alice E.
13	— Rouillard	Paul S. and Helen A.
14	Mark William Sullivan	James J., Jr. and Mary G.
14	Jon William Moore	Robert M. and Ruth E.
15	Kevin Cullinane	Thomas L. and Mary E.
16	John Eugene Spano	Eugene A. and Geraldine A.
17	Thomas Marley McCarron	Robert A. and Jeanne M.
17	William Patrick McCarron	Robert A. and Jeanne M.
18	Maureen Rose O'Brien	Robert E. and Mary M.
18	Peter Francis Hendrick	Paul T. and Eileen M.
19	Ernest Garcelon Babcock, III	Ernest G., Jr. and Sally
19	Christopher Harold Doucette	Harold J. and Barbara I.
19	Donald David Hodson, Jr.	Donald D. and Mildred L.
20	Deborah Lee Carver	Chester L. and Florence E.
20	Janice Lee Emanuelson	Roy M. and Joyce A.
21	Pamela Elaine Sullivan	Kenneth T. and Patricia M.
21	Kenneth Paul Marchinko	Arthur and Ann J.

# BIRTHS REGISTERED IN TOWN OF READING FOR YEAR 1957

Date	Name	Parents
March		
22	Linda Ann Reed	George G., Jr. and Jean M.
22	Brian Gregory Mack	Raymond A. and Marion G.
22	Cheryl Ann Whitney	Henry A. and Ruth E.
23	Jill Avery	Richard D. and Martha E.
23	James Arthur Doughty	Francis H. and Jeannette
23	Matthew Quentin Hoyt	Richard F., Sr., and Barbara
24	Robert Joseph McLaughlin	William J. and Rose M.
25	Cheryl Ann Arthur	Charles R. and Rena F.
27	Robert Fitzpatrick	John F. and Alice C.
28	James Allen Sloss	James and Anita J.
30	Thomas Richard Lynch	William F. and Ethel A.
30	Paul John Corrado, Jr.	Paul J. and Coralie J.
30	Darlene Ann Twomey	James A. and Jacqueline
31	Donn Stewart Prince	Frank A. and Barbara W.
April		
1	Steven Karl Brander	John H. and Virginia C.
2	Janet Elin Gustafson	Bertil F. and Elsie M.
2	Michael Francis Iannelli	Dominic A. and Carmella
10	Anna Elizabeth Pratt	Richard A. and Therese A.
10	Meredith Ann Poehler	George O. and Althea J.
13	Charles Henry Fisher, Jr.	Charles H. and Mary E.
15	Douglas Winston Naugler	Alberta W. and Cynthia A.
15	Regina Margaret McAuley	James E. and Patricia A.
15	Stephen Ross Phillips	James H. and Frances
16	Cynthia Clare Johnson	Norman A. and Marjorie C.
16	Susan Jane Wigmore	Robert L. and Grace E.
17	Dennis Francis Doyon	Leonard R. and Pauline B.
20	Timothy John Sharkey	James W. and Patricia A.
20	Kevin Michael Duffy	Robert E. and Mary E.
21	Nathan Hartwell Rice, Jr.	Nathan H. and Ellen N.
24	Christopher Nathan Beale	Peter M. and Marilyn M.
25	David Edward Hurley	Edward F., Jr. and Lois A.
25	Linda Elizabeth Sanborn	Donald B. and Virginia M.
26	Janet Anne Davidson	Donald W. and Elizabeth P.
26	Heather Ann Hersee	David E., Jr. and Jean H.
28	Donna Lynn Sponberg	Steve M. and Barbara A.
28	Stephen Alan Moriarty	John W. and Shirley L.
29	Nancy Lee Rowell	Walter L., Jr. and Joan C.
30	Douglas Edward Haberman	Augustus M. and Ruth L.
30	Warren Gordon Cochrane	George W., III and Ann
30	Elaine Driscoll	Joseph P. and Viola

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Date	Name	Parents
May		
2	Anthony Nicholas Torra	John and Patricia
2	Martha Kathleen Riley	Robert A. and Muriel I.
2	Barbara Elizabeth Maher	Edward J. and Marjorie E.
3	Richard Allen Bickford	Lloyd D. and Edith M.
4	Mary Kathryn McAllister	Lawrence E. and Jean V.
5	Liza Helen Camacho	Henry F. and Audrey A.
5	Barry Albert Chisholm	Albert J. and Mary G.
6	Mark Richard Kurkjian	Richard S. and Priscilla A.
7	Scot MacDonald	Winfred A., Jr. and Beatrice M. A.
7	William Francis Sullivan, III	William F., Jr. and Ruth C.
8	Michael Anthony Bertone	Mario N. and Marjorie A.
10	Kathleen Foley	Joseph M. and Dorothy C.
10	Sandra Jean Fuller	Edward C. and Shirley D.
10	Joseph Arthur Merrill	Melvin E. and Mary L.
12	Matthew James Locke	Elmer C. and Elizabeth D.
12	— Looney	Richard J. and K. Jean
13	Janice Marie Crouse	George M., Jr. and Constance B.
14	James Cannon Gallagher	Leo C. and Joan
14	Jonathan Lindsey Shuker	David M. and Janet A.
14	Shirley Anne Joyce	Norman L. and Doris A.
15	Susan Miesfeldt	Herbert C. and Elizabeth
15	Mary Ann Lyons	John W. and Grace C.
17	Lauren Elaine Hall	William M., Jr. and Lucy E.
18	Mark Edward Arsenault	Ernest J. and Louisa T.
18	Adrian Carello	Nicola L. and Marian
20	Christine Helen Burke	Richard V. and Natalie H.
20	Jane Bates Moss	Donald F. and Hilda G.
20	Paul Christian White	Philip R., Jr. and Emma L.
21	Herbert Henry Hoyt	Henry H. and Beatrice
21	Rhonda Lee Richardson	William G., Jr. and Patricia E.
22	Kathryn Mary Raboin	Richard A. and Jeanne
24	Scott Linwood Chandler	Vernon E., Jr. and Joan E.
24	Lisa Marie Valido	Homer D. and Mary P.
26	Joyce Ann Broadley	Harry R., Jr. and Betty M.
27	Melanie Classen Gill	Douglas and Mava A.
28	Linda Jane Burrows	Arthur H. and Clara M.
29	Linda Jean Gray	Charles A. and Elizabeth J.
30	Claudette Zanni	Donald M. and Claudette M.
June		
1	Sandra Marie Mower Sweeney	Richard M. and Jean J.
3	Karen Elizabeth Powers	Norman K. and Mildred M.
3	Virginia Ruth Riley	Edward F. and Dorothy M.
4	Diane Lynn Dodge	Russell E. and Edith C.



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Date	Name	Parents
June		
5	Teresa Ann Croswell	Ralph E., Jr. and Theresa A.
5	Karen Marie Hassett	John H. and Lorraine E.
9	Michael Frederick Dacey	Charles R. and Barbara L.
9	Elaine Sue Freeman	William T., Jr. and Marcelle C.
9	Scott Wilde Dennison	Robert A., Jr. and Nancy A.
9	Carol Lee Adler	Ernest M. and Edith M.
11	Kenneth Roland Netti	David and Catherine A.
11	Gary Burton Carr	Burton E. and Jean S.
14	Debra Lee Murphy	Paul and Laurene
14	Thomas Mark Callahan	Thomas A. and Stella M.
15	William Robert Allen	Robert W. and Karlene E.
16	Mark James Quale	Arthur J. and Blanche M.
16	Susan Louise Pilla	Charles P. and Gloria
17	Mary Jemison Grover	Philip M. and Mary N.
17	Stephen John Hingston	Allan J. and Carol E.
17	Kathryne Patricia Powers	James W. and June P.
19	Thomas Takashi Standbridge	George T. and Namiko H.
19	Donald Stephen Nalchajian	Donald W. and Ellen M.
19	Lionel Gerard Shapiro	Herman and Isabel S.
20	Jo Ann Varney	James J. and Geraldine
22	Debora Jean Sprague	George W., Jr. and Jean M.
22	David Winthrop Lowery	Donald W. and Priscilla
22	Steven Paul Fallon	Frank A. and Dorothea L.
23	Kevin Robert Stiles	Gerald W. and Betty J.
23	Kevin Thomas Whitford	Ernest R. and Joyce E.
24	Carl Robert Spongberg	Robert C. and Lillian
24	Raymond Keith Roberts	Harland M., Jr. and Marianne C.
26	Elizabeth Zane Rodriguez	Zane and Barbara
26	Stephen Laurence Crampe	Charles L. and Lenore M.
27	Karen Ann Surdam	Donald C. and Virginia M.
27	David Leo Turenne	Leo F. and Barbara A.
28	William Joseph Webb, III	William J., Jr. and Beverly A.
28	Eric James Goff	John B. and Sandra F.
29	William Birmingham	Richard J. and Claire M.
July		
1	Caleb Taylor Baisley	Donald L. and Virginia L.
2	Priscilla Nancy White	George R. and Ruth E.
2	Barbara Jane Currier	Robert G. and Virginia M.
5	Laurie Ann Wright	Charles E. and Virginia B.
5	— Eldred	Cornelius and Martha
6	Peter Kevin Kelly	Thomas E. and Ruth L.
9	Jacqueline Laura Jones	David W. and Anita Louise

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Date	Name	Parents
July		
11	Peter David Richards	John F. and Claire
12	John Kavanagh Kolb	John M. and Alice M.
12	Deborah Ann Rippe	Henry E. and Luise
14	Susan Marie Faloney	Fred W., Jr. and Rachelle M.
15	James Allan Milley	Allan C. and Velma J.
16	Kathleen Alice Goulet	Augustus L. and Kathleen M.
16	Robin Jean Landquist	Joseph and Ruth
16	Paul Christopher Meuse	Ralph T. and Alice K.
17	Daniel Everett Brown	Everett W., Jr. and Marie C.
18	Robert Wayne Taylor	Donald W. and Patricia R.
18	Lynn Alison Bennett	Walter N. and Elizabeth M.
18	Jo Ann Tompkins	Milton B. and Theresa A.
19	Valarie Jane Hickman	George E. and Josephine T.
19	Bradley Scott Emerson	Louis E. and Elinor M.
20	Mary Elizabeth Freeman	Frederick C. and Caroline M.
21	Melinda Syer	William A. and Harriett
21	Stephen Thomas O'Donnell	William F. and Lorraine D.
22	Richard Allen Mullen	Richard H. and Gloria
22	Cheryl Lee Bertucelli	Albert E. and Winnifred W.
23	George Thomas Croswell, Jr.	George T. and Mary L.
24	David Brooks Fairchild	John B. and Shirley E.
26	Maureen Ann Kiley	Francis M. and Jacqueline R.
27	Robert Everett Dodge, Jr.	Robert E. and Joyce Y.
28	Mark Feeney	Henry P. and Agnes P.
28	Virginia Ruth Palace	Albert F. and Verna C.
30	Barry Jeffrey Robbins	Richard J. and Elsie L.
30	Barbara Ann Druid	Henry C. and Nancy B.
August		
2	Andrew Martin Ceder	Herbert L. and Alyce J.
2	James Alan Willwerth	Lawrence J. and Patricia A.
2	Jana Lynne Walker	Donald R. and Lois
3	Paul David Jackson	Donald V. and Marie S.
4	Melissa Ann Chick	Frederick P. and Patricia A.
7	Karen Leigh Morrill	David C. and Ann E.
8	Richard Henry Pointon	Henry S., Jr. and Simone R.
8	Nanette Helen Pointon	Henry S., Jr. and Simone R.
8	Peter Olaf Gunnulfsen	George S. and Beverly A.
10	Julie Marie Beaudoin	Armand J. and Carol M.
11	Marsha Jean Nickerson	Allen C. and Barbara L.
12	Curtis Raymond Edgett	George R. and Margaret A.
12	Patricia Dimond	George M. and Mary A.
12	Elizabeth Marie Dunlea	Robert A. and Helen L.
13	Linda Ann Harrison	Lloyd W. and Audrey

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Date	Name	Parents
August		
13	Joseph Peter Cholewa	Stanley P. and Helen
14	Carl Harold Abell, Jr.	Carl H. and Naomi M.
14	Frank Howard MacMillan, III	Frank H., Jr. and Patricia A.
17	Kevin Michael Wall	Francis G. and Angelina R.
20	Patricia Marie Mollica	Robert L. and Mary C.
22	Karen Lizabeth Meier	Joseph M. and Florence M.
22	Daniel Jay Melanson	George A., Jr. and Theresa H.
23	Donald John Stanford	Norman R. and Barbara J.
24	Kevin James Gray	Richard and Phyllis A.
25	Cheryl Ann Killam	Ralph W. and Rita A.
26	Patti Marie Jasmin	John J. and Bernice L.
27	Peter Wallace Hagen	Robert S. and Helen S.
30	Constance Marion Selfridge	Edward M. and Dorothy M.
September		
2	William James Dunn	James W. and Carol A.
3	Donna Wendy Brown	William C. and Barbara F.
4	Steven Alan LeFave	John H. and Dorothy V.
4	Scott William McGrath	John G. and Gloria H.
7	Cheryl Lee Pearson	John A. and Ruth J.
7	Arleen Marie Devine	Francis J. and Shirley M.
8	Alan Mark Williams	Fordyce I. and Hazel C.
9	Donald Bruce Jollymore	Leslie B. and Charlotte M.
9	Linda Sue Crosswell	Thomas R. and Louise F.
10	Scott Norman Fillmore	Edward C. and Marjorie L.
12	Keith Ashley Runge	Carl Otto, Jr. and Marjorie E.
13	Steven James Foley	James P. and Eileen M.
13	William Norris England	Frederick J., Jr. and Valerie C.
16	Barry Joel Knox	Arnold J., Jr. and Evelyn M.
16	Shaun Michael Torrey	John F. and Eileen M.
17	Debora Jean Spaulding	Reid W. and Jean P.
17	— Watt	William H. and Ruth E.
18	Wayne Edward Stilea	James L. and Jeanne B.
18	Virginia Violet Arthur	Paul W. and Emily M.
18	Robert Thomas Foley, Jr.	Robert T. and Clara M.
19	Sheila Jean Adams	Charles A. and Virginia L.
21	Peter John Mastro	John and Gloria R.
23	Ian Armstrong Bruce	Ralph S. and Dorothy A.
23	Martin Ralph Flanders	Richard L. and Marilyn M.
24	Cynthia Lovell	Thomas E. and Nancy
24	Suzanne Mary Holway	Frank A. and Ruth E.
27	Thomas Francis Williamson	Joseph D. and Diane F.
27	Marijane Woodside	Robert A. and Virginia M.
28	Patricia Collins	Robert M. and Virginia A.

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## October

1	Dennis Charles Davis	Everett C. and Margaret M.
1	Nancy Ellen Robinson	Ralph J. and Jane
2	Lynne Marie Ewing	Paul C., Jr. and Elizabeth E.
4	Robert Frederick Nichols	Willard F. and Shirley L.
4	Paul James Rennie	Paul F. and Kathleen M.
6	Arthur James Burley	James A., Jr. and Irene M.
6	Frederick Russell Whitcomb 3rd	Frederick R., Jr. and Thelma L.
7	David Allen Coker	Allen T. and Beverly A.
9	Janet Lee Willard	William W. and Joan M.
9	Michael William Goodrich	David S. and Anne W.
9	Patrick James Goodrich	David S. and Anne W.
9	Glen Scott White	Malcolm S., Jr. and Florence E.
10	Sharon Elizabeth O'Brien	John E. and Beverly A.
11	Herbert Maurice Emery IV	Herbert M., III and Donna J.
11	Susan Elizabeth Padberg	Daniel I. and Mildred F.
12	Richard Thomas Howe, Jr.	Richard T. and Jean Marie
13	Brian Renard Flaherty	Edward F. and Ellenruth T.
13	Svend Augustine Secher	Svend A., Jr. and Kathleen M.
15	Pamela Sue Thies	Charles H. and Marian F.
15	Deborah Ann Johnson	Carl E., Jr. and Ruth A.
16	Wallace Leo Gerrior, Jr.	Wallace L. and Martha E.
16	Jaye Kristin Milley	Ralph A. and Delene M.
18	Sharon Carol Cutler	Thomas A. and Shirley A.
18	Kurt Kenneth Francis Carlson	Robert B. and Ethel V.
19	John Francis Behen, Jr.	John F. and Marjorie
20	Patricia Ann Clark	Frank L. and Joan
21	John Lothrop Murdock	George J., Jr. and Sally G.
23	Brian James Surette	James L. and Loretta A.
23	Thomas Alan Jones	William F., Jr. and Alice U.
28	Susan Jean Howland	William F. and Eleanor T.
28	Mary Curran	William J. and Eleanor L.
30	Elaine Dale Lamprey	William E. and Marlene R.
30	Diane Elise Lamprey	William E. and Marlene R.
30	Luanne Grundy	Robert A. and Ethel P.
30	Patricia Ann Muise	Alfred and Evelyn M.

## November

1	Patricia Susan Martin	Francis J. and Mary J.
2	William Felton Russell, Jr.	William F. and Rose K.
4	Linda Bradford White	Loring C. and Cynthia L.
6	Wendy Sue DelRossi	Antonio J. and Barbara J.
8	Lisa Suzanne Vincent	Francis C. and Anne
10	Stephen William DeFerrari	William S., Jr. and Patricia M.
12	Roberta Lynn Hyslip	George R. and Loretta L.

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Date	Name	Parents
November		
14	Belinda Mary Englund	Clifton P. and Mary C.
14	Richard Mark Edson	Clarence R. and Margaret E.
15	Frederick Ernest Livingstone, Jr.	Frederick E. and Evilo E.
17	John William Barnes	James and Isabelle
18	Sheryl Lynn Muccio	Roger A. and Evelyn E.
18	Gary Russell Chase	Richard I. and Viola F.
18	Mark Paul Horan	William L. and Mildred E.
19	Christopher Jon Cutelis	Arthur J. and Jean
19	Andrew Kulick, Jr.	Andrew and Ethel
21	Barbara Ann Hurlbert	Arthur W. and Freda D.
21	Wendy Dawson	Carl and Marjory
24	Robert Paul Saunders	Courtis, Jr. and Dorothy J.
24	Eleanor Anne Mullaney	Arthur J. and Gertrude T.
28	Philip Roger Seavey	Theodore R. and Shirley J.
28	Patricia Ann O'Toole	Leo F. and Mildred L.
29	Bernard James O'Brien	Maurice J. and Mary E.
December		
3	Stephen Arthur Burhoe	Douglas W. and Mary R.
5	Debra Beverly Govostes	Peter J. and Alice
7	Mary O'Connor	Richard P. and Mary
7	Michael John Watson	John J. and Alice M.
9	Daniel Kevin Desmond, Jr.	Daniel K. and Doris G.
11	Christopher Mark Colford	Gerald F. and Frances
12	Mary Ellen Flathers	Neil T. and Eleanor C.
15	Roland Patrick Boissoneau	Roger L. and Ada L.
16	Carol Jeanne Gard	Arthur C. and Virginia C.
20	Brian Keith Sullivan	Joseph C. and Beatrice A.
21	Thomas Edward McCarthy	Robert E. and Lorraine
27	Steven Edward Flint	Richard G. and Brenda
29	Richard Gardiner McManus	Richard G. and Carole R.
29	Barbara Ann Stark	Herbert E. and Ruth F.
31	Paul Joseph Amoroso	Louis R. and Marjorie L.



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Date	Name	Parents
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## August

21	Cheryl Marie Newton	Charles and Mary
24	William Monahan	Alfred T. and Joan L.

## September

6	Gary Francis Brazel	Norman S. and Edna F.
11	Douglas Edward Reny	Lucien G. and Elizabeth
13	Patrice Annette Baer	Maurice E. and Hazel
22	Joseph Thomas Baranofsky	John J. and Joanne F.
24	Maureen Sullivan	Robert A. and Gertrude A.

## October

1	William Carl Davis	William I. and Marian
12	Cheryl Ann Engel	Robert F. and Jean E.
13	Jane Patricia Crowley	Robert C. and Mary
16	Lynn Charles McKenry	Charles R. and Evelyn L.
29	Deirdre Ruth Hewitt	George A. and Beverly

## November

3	Brian McGee	William J., Jr. and Elizabeth A.
3	Lauren Natalie Little	Lawrence N., Jr. and Natalie C.
7	James Robert Creedon	James F. and Claire E.
19	John Price Weldon III	John P. and Muriel E.
21	Thomas Edwin Mafera	Richard G. and Lillian E.

## December

7	Jeanne Marie Wells	William H. and Patricia
8	Mary Lynn Keaton	Fred P., Jr. and Dorothy A.
14	Stephen Charles Dube	Paul E. and Jeanne F.
14	Robert Joseph D'Antuono	William D. and Mary R.
20	Daniel Vincent Kelley, Jr.	Daniel V. and Jacqueline B.
26	Carol Ann MacIntire	Alan M., Jr. and Doris A.
26	Ellen Jean Cressinger	Horace G. and Lillian E.
26	Michael Mark Murphy	Michael F. and Lois M.
27	Laureen Louise Day	John W. and Yolanda E.
30	Donna Jean Hyslip	Kenneth M. and Mary E.
31	Kevin Charles Soles	Thomas J. and Ruth A.

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## July

15	Johanna Loring	J. Alden and Rosemarie
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## August

17	James Roy Gard	Edgar K. R. and Millicent J.
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# MARRIAGES REGISTERED IN READING FOR THE YEAR 1957

Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
January				
1	Austin Clifford Woodside, Jr.	53	Insurance	Reading
	Ruth Caroline Lindquist			
	Lundberg	40	Homemaker	Reading
4	Matthew Anthony			
	Deljanovan	22	U.S. Navy	Williamsport, Pa.
	Doris Marie Towne	23	Clerk	Somerville
6	Robert Warren Olson	25	Builder	Woburn
	Dorothy Selkirk Hogan	19	At home	Burlington
7	Herbert M. Emery 3rd	22	U.S. Army	Wakefield
	Donna Jean Thurber	20	Clerk-Typist	Wakefield
13	Richard Lee Whelpley	24	Draftsman	Reading
	Agnes Elaine Doran	21	Bank teller	Reading
19	Joseph Louis Sirois, Jr.	24	Medical student	Reading
	Mary Ellen Kelleher	21	Nurse	Chelsea
February				
2	Gerald Francis Foley	26	Construction	Wakefield
	Hazel Josephine Cunningham	22	Bank teller	Reading
2	Earl Henry Leland	41	Office manager	Granby, Conn.
	Audrey Elaine Kerr	39	Secretary	Reading
6	Roy McKinley Johnson	23	U.S.A.F.	Arlington
	Joan Isabelle Kelson	18	Car Hop	Arlington
10	Alvin Louis Lichtenstein	20	T.V. Service man	Roxbury
	Josephine M. Briguglio	20	Receptionist	Reading
22	Richard C. Spaulding	23	Restaurant owner	Topsfield
	Alberta L. Chute	25	Secretary	Middleton
22	J. Robert Clark	74	Bookkeeper	Reading
	Jeanette E. C. Samuelson	56	At home	Cambridge
23	Alan Ernest Rodgers	20	Cabinet maker	No. Reading
	Elizabeth Ann Sullivan	18	Electronics	Reading
23	Albert Irving Brown	23	Mechanic	Reading
	Elizabeth Diane Boyle	20	Bookkeeper	Wilmington
23	William Earl Baldwin	22	Iron worker	No. Wilmington
	Christine Eda Moberger	20	Hairdresser	Reading
March				
2	Everett Charles Davis	22	Inspector	Reading
	Margaret Mary Mullins	18	At home	No. Reading
2	Wallace Aubrey King	21	Carpenter	No. Reading
	Joan Paula Bacigalupo	21	Comptometer operator	Reading

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
March				
2	Clayton Rayfield Wilson	44	Machinist	Allston
	Nina Ethel Lowell McAdams	35	Reg. Nurse	Reading
22	Thomas Paul Lavelle	19	Electronic technician	Winchester
	Gertrude Deary Lawlor	17	Clerk	Arlington
23	Robert C. Annis	26	Automotive parts man	Boston
	Phyllis J. Cook	24	Switch assembler	Wilmington
April				
2	Harold Daniel Wilson, Jr.	20	U.S.A.F.	Malden
	Joyce Lillian Gilbar	19	Operator	Reading
6	Vernon Ray Anderson	26	Shipper	Medford
	Florence Louise Russell	19	Secretary	Reading
13	Donald Weston Mullen	25	Security police	Reading
	Rae Therese Cerasuolo	16	At home	Winchester
19	Henry James Beauchamp	22	Construction	Reading
	Alice Mary Kallelis	23	Operator	Peabody
20	Frederick Ernest Livingstone	26	Firefighter	Reading
	Evilo E. McGinnis MacLeod	22	Clerk	Burlington
21	Daniel Joseph Jones	20	Machine shop	Reading
	Marjorie Evelyn Nugent	21	File clerk	Reading
27	George Arthur Ellms	31	Machinist	Reading
	Mary Therese Famosi			
	Moschella	30	Inspector	Waltham
27	Roger Joseph D'Entremont	24	U.S.A.F.	Reading
	Noreen Therese Leonard	19	Secretary	Stoneham
28	Marvin Harold Johnston	23	Sheet metal worker	Bedford, Ohio
	Gudrun Charlotte Flater	20	Bank teller	Reading
28	Carl Anton Dulong	21	Laborer	Reading
	Angela Bucci Hinds	25	Accountant	Medford
May				
2	Richard Murray Patterson	18	Student	Winchester
	Mary Ellen Sprissler	18	Teller	Winchester
4	Luther Arthur Campbell	38	Electrical Supervisor	Reading
	Anne Frances Coyne	35	Bookkeeper	Winchester
4	Paul Parks Morin	25	Draftsman	Reading
	Leona Claire Fisher	21	Secretary	Wellesley Hills
10	Robert Prescott Greenlaw	22	Salesman	Reading
	Barbara Ann Oxner	20	Student nurse	Watertown

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
May				
11	James Joseph Scione	34	Construction	Wakefield
	Barbara Ann Muise	19	At home	Reading
12	Warren Kay MacDonald	22	U.S. Navy	Medford
	Maureen Ann O'Donnell	18	At home	Reading
12	Francis Greene MacCausland	33	Automobile Dealer	Reading
	Geraldine Frances Lynch	28	Bookkeeper	Somerville
18	David Warren Lundquist	22	U.S. Navy	Woburn,
	Jeannette Susan Carey	19	Office work	Reading
18	Philip Joseph Fecteau	29	Designer	Lynn
	Marjorie Ellen Hill	26	Senior clerk	Reading
18	Manuel John Perry	32	Truck driver	Reading
	Marguerite Ann Surette	25	Offset work	Stoneham
19	Joseph Patrick Penta, Jr.	21	Asst. shipper	Reading
	Elisabeth Ann Webber	20	Receptionist	Watertown
25	Brian Francis Desmond	24	Police Officer	Reading
	Natalie Ann Scanlon	24	Bookkeeper	Melrose
26	Frederick William Miller	19	Machinist	Reading
	Cecilia Frances Grassia	20	Clerk	Wilmington
29	Andrew F. R. Corrigan	59	Traffic manager	Everett
	Margaret Moulaison Doucette	56	Stitcher	Reading
June				
1	Richard Gordon Holloway	34	Accountant	Chicago, Ill.
	Janice Louise Lehmann	23	Reg. Nurse	Reading
1	Richard William Grue	27	Salesman	Reading
	Evelyn Alice King	23	Secretary	Wakefield
1	Arthur Carl Currier, Jr.	24	Accountant	Stoneham
	Jean Anne Murray	25	Bank teller	Cambridge
1	Robert Franklin Lawlor	24	Purchasing Asst.	Reading
	Lorelle Marcia Poulin	25	Teacher	Reading
2	James Stephen Doran	30	Truck driver	Reading
	Mary Ruth Riley	26	IBM operator	Wakefield
2	Richard Robinson	25	Student	Reading
	Lois June McElwee	23	Typist	Reading
2	Earl Henry VanHorn	38	Oil dealer	Reading
	Dolores Ann Surette	20	Secretary	Reading
8	Thomas Charles Sanborn	22	Attendant	Middleton
	Janet Anne Wright	18	Attendant	Reading
8	John Peter Jensen	25	Security trader	Reading
	Carolyn Elizabeth MacDonald	26	Security trader	Quincy

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
June				
8	David Herbert Larkin	27	Salesman	W. Hartford, Conn.
	Marjorie Jean C. Morgan	24	Bank clerk	Reading
8	Elliott Roger Black	24	Engineer	Beverly
	Frances Mildred Anderson	23	Secretary	Reading
9	Richard Joseph Thompson	23	Electronic tech.	Belmont
	Barbara Anne Baringer	22	Bookkeeper	Reading
9	Thomas Lee Brewster	25	Student	West Virginia
	Judith Russell	22	Nurse	Reading
9	Richard Wayne Anderson	22	Student	Wakefield
	Virginia Anne White	20	Secretary	Reading
10	Richard Benjamin Chess, Jr.	22	Student	Reading
	Cynthia Hooper	21	Student	Fairfield, Conn.
11	Donald Wayne Taylor	18	U.S. Navy	Hamilton, Ill.
	Patricia Rita Flood	17	At home	Reading
14	Edwin W. Barrett	36	U.S. Army	Brooklyn, N.Y.
	Marie J. Fitzmaurice	35	Telephone operator	Boston
15	Alexander John Sebeika	44	Auto body man	Reading
	Agatha Lucy Hurton	44	Bookkeeper	Somerville
15	William Alfred Schmidt	52	Store owner	Reading
	Ellen Elisabeth Ceder	53	At home	No. Reading
21	James Leo Michaud	22	Laborer	Burlington
	Roseann Petone	19	At home	Woburn
21	Robert William Saulnier	22	Clerk	Woburn
	Nancy Ann Harris	18	Clerk	Reading
22	Richard Taylor Secord	22	Student	Reading
	Frances Charlotte Rich	21	Teacher	Reading
22	Richard Irwin Freeman	26	Lab. technician	Reading
	Gwendolyn Dean	27	At home	Reading
22	Alphonse Maximin Babin	25	Carpenter	Reading
	Phyllis Ann Meuse	21	Clerk	Malden
23	Robert Melvin Henderson	22	Clerk	Bradford
	Josephine Ann Grant	19	At home	Reading
23	Charles Eugene McPhail	28	Metal worker	Tewksbury
	Lee Burns	22	Secretary	Reading
28	Louis Daniel Gowing		Teacher	Reading
	Louise Brownelle Jenkins		Organist	Reading
28	David Lester Browne	27	Plastics processor	Somerville
	Shirlee Ann Byers	27	Nester	Somerville
29	David Edward Richards	23	Student	Reading
	Shirley Joan Henderson	19	Secretary	Reading



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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
June				
29	Vincent A. Vosolo	29	Presser	Dorchester
	Ruth L. Diorio	26	Stitcher	Billerica
29	John Clyde Inman	23	Student	Melrose
	Carolyn Ann Donley	22	Teacher	Reading'
30	Franklin Michael Nardone	28	United Shoe Agt.	Wakefield
	Catherine Theresa Aglio	25	Factory worker	Reading
30	Wilfred Edgar Boudreau, Jr.	24	Mill operator	Reading
	Beatrice Frances Crocker	19	Office clerk	Reading
July				
6	Daniel Richard Chamberlain	23	Student	Reading
	Joann Miriam Crosby	23	Teacher	Reading
6	George Louis Turner	24	Truck driver	Reading
	Constance Mary Pike	20	IBM operator	Malden
10	Edward Henry Wright	24	Compounder	Arlington
	Barbara Frances Wilson	25	Waitress	Arlington
13	Leonard Arthur Gallant	21	Carpenter	Andover
	Nancy Elizabeth Fransen	18	Clerk	Reading
13	Milton Francis Huntington	25	Reporter	Augusta, Me.
	Lillian Rose Munn	23	Teacher	Reading
20	Robert Dennis Morrow III	24	U.S. Army	Philadelphia, Penn.
	Ellen Jeanne Surette	22	Teacher	Reading
20	Ronald Daniel Michelini	25	Firefighter	Reading
	Dulena Mae Crowe	23	Typist-clerk	Reading
22	Francis Coggin	38	U.S. Army	Medford
	Marcella Mae Bucci	34	At home	Medford
24	Garry W. Limpus	26	Student	Lafayette, Ind.
	Dolores Ann Armstrong	20	Student	Reading
August				
3	Robert Anthony Degnan	27	Sales engineer	Reading
	Mary Louise White	26	Secretary	Melrose
3	David Warren Turner	22	U.S.A.F.	Reading
	Nancy Ann Cutcliffe	22	Research	Reading
3	Richard Joseph Blanchard	25	Property accountant	Reading
	Dorothy Elizabeth McGilvery	28	Key punch operator	Reading
10	John Frederick Hicks	19	Truck driver	No. Reading
	Patricia Ann Walsh	17	Sales girl	Reading
10	James Michael Wall	22	Laborer	Reading
	Marie Bernadette Juliano	19	Clerk-typist	Everett

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
August				
17	Robert David Collins	30	Dentist	Reading
	Elizabeth Ann McCusker	25	Reg. Nurse	Malden
17	Harry Gordon Gillis, Jr.	24	B.&M. R.R.	Reading
	Ethel Louise Faulkner	21	Receptionist	Watertown
17	Harold Willis Cogger	21	Student	Reading
	Claudia Frances Palmunen	21	Dental hygienist	Reading
17	Robert Joseph Desmond	26	Student	Reading
	Lorraine Mary Ferrick	24	Secretary	Medford
18	Emanuele Mario Coscia, Jr.	27	Engineer	Lexington
	Barbara Isabelle Meuse	24	Bookkeeper	Reading
24	Robert Gregory Mellen	23	Student	Roslindale
	Margery Palmer Delano	25	Registered Nurse	Reading
31	Maurice Oscar			
	Reebenacker, Jr.	28	Metal worker	Reading
	Anna Elizabeth Spear	29	Cashier	Reading
31	James J. Bond	68	Retired	Malden
	Jean A. Gates	57	Nurse	Wakefield
31	Stephen Stanley Zagorski, Jr.	22	Engineer	Reading
	Karen Winnifred Johnson	17	Waitress	Hamilton
September				
1	David Edwin Wendell	21	Asst. Salesman	Reading
	Frances Virginia Walsh	18	Clerk	Lynn
1	Richard Eaton	20	Construction work	Wakefield
	Elaine Pearl Doucette	16	Clerk	Reading
3	James Joseph Wall	49	Captain	Reading
	Irene Mary Belliveau			
	Boudreau	44	Saleslady	Medford
7	Arnold Paul Poehler	21	Maintenance	Reading
	Priscilla Marion Stiles	19	X-Ray technician	Reading
7	Donald Ernest Atwell Getson	24	Engineer	Somerville
	Carol Janet Peterson	21	Typist	Reading
7	Richard Edwin O'Brien	18	Unemployed	Reading
	Patricia Elizabeth DeCecca	19	Clerk	Wakefield
7	Merle Leroy Noyes	25	Chemical engineer	Milford, N.J.
	Eleanor Jane Turner	23	Actuary	Reading
7	Darrell Lee Fair	26	Painter	Reading
	Dorothy Elizabeth Coolidge	27	IBM operator	Reading
7	Walter Francis White	27	Machine accountant	Reading
	Patricia Mary Houston	22	Secretary	Arlington

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
September				
8	Warren Marshall Dean, Jr.	24	Student	Reading
	Patricia McClellan	16	Clerk	Woburn
14	Robert Leon D'Entremont	24	Technician	Reading
	Elizabeth Louise Leonard	21	Clerk	Stoneham
14	Robert Marsh Hale	42	Personnel manager	Reading
	Helen Patricia Dwyer	26	Secretary	Reading
14	John Green	21	Salesman	Reading
	Barbara Ann Conti	19	Receptionist	Reading
14	Robert L. Allen	28	Machinist	Malden
	Ailene Saffe	21	Typist	Winthrop
15	Ronald Arthur Roberts	20	Steel worker	Reading
	Elizabeth Ann Wood	18	Clerk-typist	Wilmington
21	Dana Winslow Thomas	29	Mechanic	Belmont
	Nancy Rheel Stewart	21	Nurse	Reading
21	Herbert K. Miller, Jr.	23	Salesman	Reading
	Joyce Mary Butler	22	Secretary	Reading
21	John Douglas Vedoe	37	Manager	Lexington
	Jean Louise Phillips Graham	33	Medical technician	Reading
26	William Edward Leatham	18	Shipper	Somerville
	Barbara Ann Florence	15	At home	Reading
28	William Donald Dacey	35	Traffic clerk	Reading
	Ruth Aileen Mooney	34	Stenographer	Roslindale
28	Robert Francis Perry	28	Refrigeration service	Winchester
	Geraldine Mary Repucci	22	Payroll clerk	Reading
October				
4	William Rockwood Webb	36	Asst. manager	Medford
	Viola Ann Suprenant	33	Personnel manager	Wilmington
4	James Leatherbee Faden	66	Mfgs. representative	Reading
	Elsa Collins Hollingshead	60	At home	New Jersey
5	Robert Clayton Merrill	28	Maintenance man	W. Acton
	Ann Marie Cullinane	20	Nurse	Reading
5	Leslie Francis Nelson	32	Asst. Treas. Bank	W. Somerville
	Thelma Alice Precourt	31	Bookkeeper	Reading
5	Raymond Edward Merritt	21	Air Force	Wilmington
	Marcia Holden	18	Factory worker	Reading
12	David Roger Lyon	19	U.S. Navy	Reading
	Rita Eva Paquette	19	Secretary	Stoneham
12	Robert George O'Donnell	23	U.S. Navy	Reading
	Patricia Violet Hall	21	Secretary	Lynnfield Ctr.

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
October				
12	James Gregory Blake	21	U.S.A.F.	Reading
	Judith Reid Farrar	18	At home	Stoneham
12	Lawrence Ford			
	Schumaker, Jr.	25	State police	No. Reading
	Elizabeth Joyce Milliken	22	Teacher	Reading
26	Robert Briston Roche	23	Rate clerk	Reading
	Maureen Elizabeth O'Brien	22	Secretary	Reading
27	Arthur Lloyd David, Jr.	25	Aircraft mechanic	Reading
	Lorraine Crovo	19	At home	Reading
27	James Edward Gillespie	28	Flight engineer	Reading
	Jane Carolyn Mowles	21	Airline student	Belmont
27	Thomas Carleton Richards	25	Maintenance man	Reading
	Genevieve Anderson	22	Junior accountant	Peabody
30	Joseph Edward Doherty, Jr.	19	Line man	Woburn
	Jeanne Elinor Richardson	16	Clerk	Reading
November				
9	John Charles Lane	21	Machinist	Woburn
	Myrna Louise Libby	18	Electronics	Stoneham
10	John Osgood McSheehy	26	Carpenter	Reading
	Vanda Barbara Tamboli	21	Nurse	Malden
11	William Leo Fitzgerald	23	Assembler	Billerica
	Mary Ann Butler	16	At home	Reading
23	John Mainard Baxter	24	U.S. Army	Union City, N.J.
	Nancy Jean Grundy	18	Production	Reading
23	Raymond Elmer Nichols	49	Taxi driver	Reading
	Grace Marion Horrigan	26	Electronics	Reading
24	Edward Fong Chin	47	Salesman	Reading
	Ming Lem	45	Homemaker	Camden, N.J.
28	Elliot Hillel Cole	25	Student	Reading
	Miriam Lois Turran	21	School teacher	Belmont
30	David Reinhardt Graupner	20	Pastry cook	North Reading
	Sandra Litchfield	19	Lab. technician	Reading
30	Richard John Bussey	24	U.S.A.F. Pilot	Arlington
	Carole Ann Henricksen	21	Secretary	New Orleans, La.
30	Daniel Edward O'Keeffe	38	Salesman	Reading
	Eleanor Frances Grimes	32	Secretary	Wilmington
30	David Joseph Whelton, Jr.	24	Student	Reading
	Patricia Carroll	22	Factory worker	Winchester

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Date	Name	Age	Occupation	Residence
December				
1	James Allison Knox, Jr. Claire Ellen Bagenstose Lappin	26 21	Salesman Account co-ordinator	Reading Melrose
2	Eugene E. Souza Helen A. Burke	34 35	Fireman At home	Chelsea Chelsea
7	Harold Francis Parker Christine Frances Atkinson	76 66	Insurance Agent Secretary	Reading Reading
7	Richard Chester Tourtellot Patricia Jane Martin	32 29	Sales manager Salesgirl	Medford Medford
19	LeRoy Hurd Edwards Cecelia Antoinette Gray	38 23	Mechanic Packer	Reading Charlestown
21	David Robinson Mairs Ann Katherine Stephenson	28 20	Store manager Investigator	Waltham Waltham
22	William P. Huebel Elizabeth Melad	23 24	U.S. Army IBM operator	Reading Brighton
22	Joseph Merwin Morthland, Jr. Ann Marie Laura	20 16	U.S. Navy Secretary	Youngstown, Ohio Reading
25	Louis W. Brown Harriett J. Peters	44 42	Mechanic Nurse	Revere Everett
28	Robert Leslie Theriault Loretta Marie Legare	20 17	Machinist Student	Reading Medford
28	Thomas Neal Briggs Angelina Rita Gatta	19 18	Technician Bookkeeper	Reading Cambridge
28	Harold Linwood Douglas Helen Christine Skofield	60 48	Office manager Secretary	Glens Falls, N.Y. Reading
31	Roland James Sturge, Jr. Ruth Estrelita DeYoung	24 27	Draftsman Comp. Opr.	Reading Cambridge



# DEATHS REGISTERED IN READING FOR THE YEAR 1957

Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
January					
1	Mary Margaret O'Connor	1	10	21	Bronchial pneumonia
2	Geneva E. (Sanborn) White	83	9	3	Acute myocardial insufficiency
3	Eunice (Young) Byrne	77	2	28	Bronchial pneumonia
6	Scott Christopher Hoyt		2		Intestinal pneumonia
10	Elizabeth J. A. Brunswick	81	3	9	Leukemia
10	Elizabeth M. Collins	57	11	7	Coronary occlusion
15	Gertrude M. Turner	82			Bronchopneumonia
16	Percy Elmer Morris	57			Acute infarction of myocardium
17	George Howard Sanborn	70	11	14	Heart disease
17	Lawrence J. Byron	69			Cerebral arteriosclerosis
20	— McNaney			3	Congenital heart disease
26	John J. Reardon	78	7	2	Cerebral hemorrhage
29	Nora (Hallett) Harding	71			Mesenteric thrombosis
29	Clara Seymour Gardner	98	5	23	Acute pulmonary edema
29	Harold Eaton White	62	4	24	Multiple myeloma
29	Frank G. Raye	83	0	18	Bronchial pneumonia
30	Elva Snow VanBuskirk	91	9	23	Cerebral hemorrhage
30	Mary Patricia Fennelly		5	17	Bronchopneumonia
February					
10	Mary Elizabeth Cleveland	97	5	4	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
13	William Harold Quinlan	61	9	0	Carcinoma transverse colon
17	Charles A. Kenrick, Jr.	41			Adenocarcinoma right lung
18	Margaret (Sylvester) DeLisle	47	6	7	Pulmonary tuberculosis
21	Everett Steeves	77	9	20	Uremia
26	Gilbert Holmes Kelly	65	7	4	Myocardial infarction
March					
1	Mary Elizabeth Doucette	74	6	1	Intestinal obstruction
2	Sidney L. Shoules	71	11	2	Heart disease
2	Cora (Noyes) Ferguson	86	1	12	Cardiovascular disease
4	Willard S. Roberts	83	9	4	Heart disease
8	Geneva Nancy Fish	87	8	12	Arteriosclerosis
8	— Penno			1	Prematurity
9	Gerald Wilkinson		9	7 15	
9	Percy H. Moody	77	6	11	Ruptured aortic aneurism
13	Baby Girl Rouillard				Stillborn
14	Rose (Toland) Hurford	81	3	1	Acute coronary occlusion
14	Della Allen	64	3	26	Congestive heart failure
15	Lucia Hastings Parker	69	3	18	Asphyxiation
15	Charles A. Schmitt	82	1	15	Arteriosclerotic heart disease

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Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
March					
21	Mary Duganne (White) Dike	94	4	2	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
21	Mary Jane (Potter) Murdock	87	3	23	Carcinoma right ovary
21	Mabel E. Whittier	80	9	13	Carcinoma bile ducts
22	John Day Giggey	60	7	29	Acute heart failure
22	Martha Collum	84	9	4	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
23	Katherine Charlotte Pierpont	30	10	10	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
23	George Freeman	51	5	13	Rheumatic heart disease
24	— Maher				Stillborn
24	Frank M. Merrill	64	7	14	Thrombosis femoral arteries
26	Hannah D. Haley	98	1	12	Coronary occlusion
31	Joseph M. Warren	62	1	7	Left ventricular failure
April					
2	Olive Francis Colson	74	3	17	Metastatic carcinoma
6	Sarah L. Marshall	95	11	13	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
8	Annie T. Brennan	94	3	22	Fractured left hip
11	Mary E. (Flaherty) Harding	55	1	23	Surgical shock
16	Priscilla Growhurst Prentiss	47	3	6	Cardiac Arrest
17	Harvey Cleveland Glentz	83	11	11	Bronchopneumonia
17	Kenneth Albert MacDonald	64	11	26	Carcinomatosis
18	Alice E. Sibley	94	9	1	Cerebral embolism
18	Marion (Howes) Morton	74	5	8	Cerebral hemorrhage
19	Carrie Hall	85	8	24	Cerebral infarction
22	Katherine (Keller) Schmitt	82	1	29	Gangrene of Left Foot
24	Hazel Barrett (Warren)	52	5	1	Carcinomatosis
24	Karen Mapleton	9	10	21	Cardiac failure
25	John M. Widell	75	10	25	Carcinoma—stomach
25	Royal Marsh MacDonald	56	6	17	Cerebral hemorrhage
25	Albert Edward Bertucelli	28	4	3	Heart disease
27	Agnes B. McLaughlin	73	8	19	Cerebral hemorrhage
28	Norman LeRoy Duncan	65	5	12	Cerebral hemorrhage
May					
1	Ellen Averill Wells	56	11	23	Carcinoma of breast
1	Ida (Cogswell) Barton	93	6	7	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
8	Frederick J. Frotten	72	1	8	Heart disease
8	Esther Cassius	82	6	13	Intestinal obstruction
11	Andrew Halbert	69	8	21	Bilateral pulmonary carcinoma
12	— Looney	6 hours			Prematurity
14	Catherine O'Brien	92			Arteriosclerotic heart disease
14	Florence Margaret Flibotte	52	5	3	Acute congestive failure
15	Ida M. Hatch	68	3	10	Myocardial infarction
16	Catherine R. Hout	51		11	Carcinomatosis

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Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
May					
17	Baby Muise				Stillborn
18	Margaret McMullen	52	8	7	Hemopericardium
19	Reuben LeFave	67	9	19	Coronary heart disease
21	Joan McKevitt Borders	27	1	4	Accident
22	Elizabeth Castine	81	11	14	Peripheral vascular failure
23	Emanuela Sannella D'Orlando	70	11	17	Acute coronary thrombosis
June					
1	William Walter Hussey	66	9	8	Cerebral thrombosis
8	Thirza E. (Moulton) Lane	91	9	14	Hemorrhage, intestinal
8	Frank L. Williams	81	7	19	heart disease
9	Anne (Foley) Dowd	65			Malignant Brenner tumor
10	Martha (Mason) Curry	80	2	0	Carcinoma of liver
12	Sadie Norcross (Pratt)	79	5	11	Cerebral hemorrhage
16	Ethel A. Hodgkins	47	8	22	Aneurysm congenital
16	John Henry Given	80	5	28	Carcinomatosis
19	Lettie S. Litchfield	85	4	19	Bronchopneumonia
24	Helen M. Hart	63	4	26	Hypertensive heart disease
26	Effie Mabel Flaherty	60	9	13	Sudden death
26	Norman Page Charles	59	6	10	Coronary occlusion
26	John Fairfield Sawyer	76	9	24	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
27	Richard Francis Johnson	84	3	23	Pseudomonas septicemia
28	Florence J. (Plummer) McNeil	88	0	25	Hypertensive cardio vascular disease
30	— MacDonald				Stillborn
July					
1	Louise (Sherbut) Straw	79	1	28	Heart disease
1	Fred Alfred Basner	12	5	6	Result of accident
4	Mary Elizabeth Keene	86	10	27	Heart disease
5	Grace Julia Boulter	75	2	24	Carcinoma of stomach
5	George Herbert Stimpson	72	4	8	Cerebral hemorrhage
14	Helen Gertrude Adams	70	11	14	Myocardial infarction
14	Andrew Stack	65			Malignant metastases
15	Albert Christian Graupner	81	8	1	Cerebral hemorrhage
21	Hugh McAdams	77	3	18	Heart disease
22	Charlotte E. Allen	37	11	4	Bronchopneumonia
27	Marie L. George	78			Heart disease
27	Olivia Alma Wright Parker	63	2	7	Heart disease
28	Homer Ruster	73	8	0	Cerebral hemorrhage
30	Zetta (Slade) Chase	77	8	5	Cerebral hemorrhage
31	Mertis Belle Shatford (Etter)	70	10	4	Myocardial infarction

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Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
August					
2	Edythe G. Page	37	10	14	Carcinoma
2	Hattie Sylvia Stockbridge	86	0	22	Cerebral thrombosis
3	Frank Gallant	75	11	21	Carcinoma
6	Dennis J. Ainsworth	70	5	30	Coronary thrombosis
9	Alice Nickles Boothby (Wyman)	92	11	26	Arteriosclerosis
9	Edward L. Buckminster	90	9	6	Senility
10	Olive May Cluff (Riley)	57	9	18	Myocardial infarction
11	Anna E. Transue	64	6	24	Acute myocardial infarction
12	Winifred Alexandra Brenan	94	0	29	Carcinoma
14	George Gilbert Long	65			Heart disease
15	Sarah Emily (Smith) Swain	89	5	6	Carcinoma
16	Patricia Latham	19	1	29	Hemorrhagic pneumonia
21	— LeBlanc				Stillborn
21	Samuel Watts Lewis	80	7	10	Chronic passive congestion
22	Charles Edward Wilkinson	73			Subdural hemorrhage
24	James J. Clifford	71			Cardiac failure
26	Warren M. Whitehouse	92			Heart disease
26	Anna Sophia (Langdon) Tuttle	97	2	6	Heart disease
26	Ada Lillian Leathe	79	6	26	Cerebral thrombosis
27	Mabel B. Long	61			Carcinoma
28	Barbara A. Vicario	2	3	25	Encephalitis
31	Rose Ella Robertson	66	5	29	Carcinoma

## September

1	Cassie Louise Thompson	85	9	5	Carcinomatosis
6	John B. Robertson	78	2	14	Carcinoma
10	Ansgar Wilhelm Sommerfelt	53	11	9	Sudden death, heart disease
13	Rose M. Riley	68			Unknown cause
14	Frederick D. Gay	62	2	21	Broncho pneumonia
17	Gerald Leroy Selfridge	17	8	29	Chronic Nephritis
18	Frederic Ruggli Whitney	61	9	10	Heart disease
20	Mary E. White	75			Diabetic acidosis
23	Regina M. Conner	62	7	3	Poisoning
23	Charles Warren Pierce	94	11	26	Senility
24	Ada Schofield	34	8	6	Coronary occlusion
27	William J. Webb	60	11	13	Acute pulmonary edema
29	Clara Alvida Packer	85	4	3	Arteriosclerosis
29	Madeline Pappalardo	88	8	2	Cardio renal disease
29	Harry D. Stokes	78	11	3	Acute myocardial failure
30	Delia K. Wall	82			Carcinoma pancreas

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Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
October					
1	Edna May Taber	83	8	0	Coronary occlusion
2	Robert John Patterson	69	10	4	Carcinoma, pancreas
3	Ernest T. Hart	81			Arteriosclerosis
4	Louis E. Ellison	77	5	14	Acute coronary occlusion
5	Robert John Morrow	76	0	1	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
10	Mabel Louise Ayer	83		8	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
11	James Franklin Knotts	82	10	1	Coronary thrombosis
12	Frederick Palmer	86	10	30	Gastric hemorrhage
12	John M. Twomey	66	10		Hepatic coma
13	Baby Boy Secher				Stillborn
14	Baby Goodrich "A"			5	Prematurity
17	James B. Delaney	57	8	6	Heart disease
19	Baby Goodrich "B"			9	Prematurity
20	Florence Jacques	53	9	7	Auto accident
22	Marion E. Chase	75	11	23	Lympho sarcoma
25	Georgina (Twigg) Corton	77	0	15	Cerebral hemorrhage
28	Frances (Heald) Downs	91	3	0	Arteriosclerotic heart disease
November					
2	Edward H. Stevens	89	3	17	Natural causes
3	Jessie A. Sargent	70	3	13	Sterile meningitis
5	Melvin Stone	72	9	10	Heart disease
6	Harris P. Pratt, Sr.	69	2	0	Myocardial infarction
7	Dorothy F. Runge	56	2	26	Bronchopneumonia
7	William Kelch	93			Hypostatic pneumonia
9	Lavers D. Zwicker	80	11	29	Duodenal ulcer
15	Clara J. Sweetser Floyde	102	9	20	Cerebral hemorrhage
17	Florence (Chase) Champion	86	2	26	Cerebral hemorrhage
18	Antonio Pimentel	87			Carcinoma
20	Helga Helrich	77	7	5	Bowel obstruction
20	Annie W. Turner	84	2	6	Bronchial pneumonia
21	Mary R. Day MacDonald	77			Heart disease
22	Alice T. Wentworth Stevens	90	7	19	Arteriosclerosis
23	Winifred (Byrne) Haley	91	1	18	Carcinoma
24	Estelle Lewis (Nee Webber)	88	8	26	Cerebral hemorrhage
28	Mary P. Muise (Surette)	57	5	28	Cerebellar infarction
December					
1	George Patrick McSheehy	61	8	23	Coronary thrombosis
1	Sefton Earl	78	4	12	Bilateral bronchopneumonia
2	Gertrude (Todd) Muirhead	89	11	10	Lobar pneumonia
6	Grace L. (Hoomes) Fuller	85	1	30	Heart disease
6	John O. Doldt	42	7	26	Heart disease



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Date	Name	Y	M	D	Cause of Death
December					
8	Nellie E. Murphy	76			Uremia
8	Rose Standish Symonds	85	3	18	Uremia
8	Everett W. Brown	67	5	7	Carcinoma Sigmoid
10	Sarah V. Foley	78	1	8	Carcinoma of breast
11	Dorothy Gordon Gardner	72	2	6	Carcinoma, Sigmoid colon
13	Paul L. Peters	79	8	5	Cerebral hemorrhage
15	Baby Boy Denbow	3½	hours		Prematurity
16	Florence Augusta Dalford	59	5	16	Myocardial infarction
16	Ruth Isabel Kendall	69	3	11	Myocardial infarction
25	Amos Averill Steele	66	3	12	Myocardial infarction
25	Mary Elizabeth Dulong	77	5	28	Cerebral hemorrhage
26	Mary Jane Hathaway	84	8	6	Cardio vascular renal disease
31	Ellen (Farley) Durrell	81	1	4	Carcinoma of ovary
31	Eusebia (Smith) Porter	83	9	28	Coronary thrombosis

## NOTICE TO PARENTS, HOUSEWIVES, PHYSICIANS AND MID-WIVES

Your attention is called to the section below taken from the revised laws. Blank forms for return of birth can be obtained from the Town Clerk.

### **General Laws, Chap. 46, Sec. 3 (Tercentenary Edition) (As Amended by Chapter 326, Section One, Acts of 1939)**

Every physician, or hospital medical officer registered under section nine of chapter one hundred and twelve, in this chapter called officer, shall keep a record of the birth of every child in cases of which he was in charge, showing date and place of birth, the name, if any, of the child, its sex and color, the name, age, birthplace, occupation and residence (including the street number, if any, and the ward number if in a city) of each parent, the maiden name of the mother and the name of the physician or officer, if any, personally attending the birth. If the child is illegitimate, the name of and other facts relating to the father shall not be set forth except upon written request of both the father and mother; provided that if an illegitimate child shall have become legitimate by the intermarriage of his parents and the acknowledgement of his father, as provided in section seven of chapter one hundred and ninety, prior to the mailing or delivery of any report herein required, such report shall read in all respects, as if such child had been born to such parents in lawful wedlock. Said physician or officer shall, within 15 days after such birth, mail or deliver to the clerk or registrar of the

town where such birth occurred, a report stating the facts herein above required to be shown on said record and also the said written request, if any; provided that if said report is not so made within forty-eight hours after such birth, said physician, or officer shall, within said forty-eight hours mail or deliver to said clerk or registrar a notice stating the date and place of the birth, the street number, if any, the ward number, if in a city, and the family name. Upon presentation to him of a certificate of the town clerk stating that any such birth has been duly reported, the town treasurer shall pay to such physician or officer a fee of twenty-five cents for each birth so reported. Any physician or any such officer violating any provision of this section shall forfeit not more than twenty-five dollars. The said town clerk or registrar shall file daily with the local board of health a list of all births reported to him, showing, as to each, the date of birth, sex, color, family name, residence; ward and physician or officer in charge.

Within sixty days after the date of the birth of any child born in the commonwealth with visible congenital deformities, or any condition apparently acquired at birth which may lead to crippling, the physician in attendance upon said births shall prepare upon a form provided by the state department of public health and file with the clerk of the town where such birth occurred a report setting forth such visible congenital deformity, or any condition apparently acquired at birth which may lead to crippling.

Said clerk shall transmit forthwith to said department such supplementary report of such birth. The contents of such report shall be solely for the use of said department in connection with its functions relative to crippled children, and such report shall not be open to public inspection or constitute a public record.

#### **General Laws, Chap. 46, Sec. 6**

Parents within forty days after the birth of a child, and every householder, within forty days after a birth in his home, shall cause notice thereof to be given to the clerk of the town where such child is born.

#### **General Laws, Chapter 111**

Section 110 and 111, require physicians, registered hospital medical officers, nurses or other attendants to report at once to the local board of health, every child one or both of whose eyes become inflamed, swollen and red and show an unnatural discharge within two weeks after birth.

## REPORT OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT

Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Municipal Building  
Reading, Mass.  
Gentlemen:

The report of the Police Department for 1957 is hereby submitted. Personnel of the Department consists of 20 Patrolmen, 4 Sergeants, 1 Lieutenant and Chief. We also have 9 School Traffic Officers.

Following are the arrests and other services performed:

Misdemeanor arrests .....	97
Felony arrests .....	20

Total number of arrests .....	117
Motor vehicle violations (Moving) .....	590
Parking violations .....	275
Juvenile cases .....	21

### Other Services

Stolen bicycles recovered .....	18
Value of stolen property recovered .....	\$7,435.10
Ambulance trips .....	291
Automobile accident investigations .....	156

### Fees Collected and Turned Over to Town Treasurer

Ambulance fees .....	\$1,193.50
Bicycle plate fees .....	119.25
Revolver license fees .....	30.00

### Automotive Equipment

1	1956 Cadillac Ambulance
1	1957 Plymouth Suburban
2	1957 Plymouth Sedans
1	1955 Ford Sedan

During this year we added two more Police Call Boxes as part of the expanding of our foot patrols. We rejoined the Police Teletype System on January 1, 1957, and this Department sent out 262 messages. This is in addition to the Inter-Departmental Radio by which we are in instant contact with State Police, Metropolitan Police and 8 other City and Town Police.

Our Reading Police Reserves again served the Town on many occasions and put in a total of 2,169 hours for the year. These men do police duty at all churches every Sunday. In addition to this they are on call for any emergency or special events. The Police Department and the Town of Reading are fortunate indeed to have such a fine group of trained men who serve without compensation.

In closing I wish to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen and all the members of this Department for their continued co-operation. I also wish to thank all the other Departments of our Town Government for their assistance and co-operation.

Respectfully submitted,

ROLAND E. ELLIS

Chief of Police

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**of**

**THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE**

**of**

**The Town of Reading, Massachusetts**

**for the year ended**

**December 31, 1957**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICERS**

Robert E. Turner, Chairman, 78 Middlesex Ave.	Term expires 1960
William E. Burpee, 178 Wakefield St.	" " 1960
Newell H. Morton, 198 Woburn St.	" " 1959
Philip R. White, 189 Summer Ave.	" " 1959
Paul R. Bergholtz, 20 Puritan Rd.	" " 1958
Mrs. Barbara Winkler, 52 Pearl St.	" " 1958

### **School Committee Office**

High School Building	62 Oakland Road
RE 2-0180 and RE 2-2384	
Monday through Friday 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.	
During summer vacation 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.	

### **Superintendent of Schools**

Robert F. Perry	22 Dudley Street
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### **Secretary to the Superintendent**

Mae A. Tanner	26 Mineral Street
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### **Clerks in School Committee Office**

Irene E. Reichardt	90 Vine Street
Norma C. Walsh	10 Temple Street

### **School Physician**

Dr. Robert W. Wakeling	60 Lowell Street
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### **Supervisor of Maintenance**

Roderick E. Macdonald	11 John Carver Road
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### **Supervisor of Cafeterias**

Lois Connor	268 Franklin Street
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### **Attendance Officer**

Robert A. Grundy	25 Lewis Street or 74 Haven Street
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## **R E T I R E D**

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### **RUDOLF SUSSMANN**

Teacher and Principal

1917

Appointed Teacher in Reading High School

1924

Appointed Principal — Reading High School

1957

Retired as Headmaster — Reading High School

### **ALBERTA F. DRURY**

Teacher of Bookkeeping

Reading High School

Appointed 1917

Retired 1957

### **MARGARET E. TYACKE**

Teacher of Physical Education

Walter S. Parker Junior High School

Appointed 1926

Retired 1957

### **MYRTLE W. TILTON**

Secretary to the Headmaster

Reading High School

Appointed 1926

Retired 1957

## REPORT OF THE SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of Reading:

The School Committee herewith submits its annual report.

Baptism by fire opened the year 1957-58 for the Reading School Committee. An hour, or possibly an hour and a half, after the Committee had met to reorganize following the annual Town election, the office telephone began to peal and the terrifying news was that the Highland School was all ablaze. It was immediately moved that the meeting adjourn and go see how serious the fire was. Thus the year started more dramatically than anyone could wish. As the members of the Committee watched the flames crackling in the whole east wing of the building and leaping out through the roof, two thoughts occurred to all of us: "How fortunate that this happened at night and not during the daytime when there were children in the building!", and "What are we going to do with all these Highland School children?". Due to a tremendous effort on the part of our Superintendent, principals and staff, the Committee, when it met the night after the fire, was able to approve well-organized plans for the temporary housing of the Highland School pupils. One week from the date of the fire the Town observed the smooth and orderly move to a double-session schedule at the Pearl Street School. The people of Reading can be very proud of a staff in both schools which made such a transition possible with a minimum of confusion and lost time for the children.

In the meantime the Committee was faced with the problem of repairing the Highland School. Arrangements were made for the Birch Meadow School Building Committee to add this additional burden to their already heavy responsibility in supervising the construction of a large new elementary school building. Not until some time later was it generally realized how extensive the damage had been and, consequently, how extensive the repairs would have to be. In fact, the Highland School has had quite a complete face-lifting and when it reopened January 2, 1958, was without doubt in better condition from an educational standpoint than when it was originally opened back in 1896. The School Committee extends its sincere thanks for the work done by the Birch Meadow School Building Committee in both the Highland and Birch Meadow Schools.

The second big milestone in the year was marked by the fall opening of the Birch Meadow School, Reading's fourth large elementary school. This building provides beautiful, modern housing on a lovely wooded site and is a valuable addition to our facilities. As always with the opening of a large new school, it was necessary to redistrict the whole town. This shifting around of the school population from one building to another is becoming a fairly routine part of the administration's problem. For the first time in several years we now have sixth grades in elementary buildings, where they belong. Every effort is made to keep hardship, both real and imagined, to a minimum but buildings can't be moved and bus costs can't be skyrocketed indefinitely. Perhaps this would be a good place to point out that the actual

building where a child attends school is not so important as the teachers he has every day. Here again we should cite further evidence of the loyalty and devotion of our teaching staff. The opening of the Birch Meadow School was delayed two weeks after the opening of other schools in town, but the principal and staff met daily during this period to make complete plans and iron out as many difficulties as possible in advance. As a result, when this school did open, it did so with practically none of the disorder which school people usually anticipate in connection with the opening of a new building.

Two other major additions to our plant have been completed during the year, the football field and the practice field. It is hoped that with the further development of Birch Meadow and the improved facilities for a well-rounded physical education program, the whole student body of the High School will benefit.

One of the most important changes in the personnel of the Reading schools took place in the High School. The Committee faced with regret the retirement of Rudolf Sussmann as principal after many years in the school. Early in the year the Committee began to receive applications for the position. After much thought and discussion, William W. Rodgers was appointed to the position. Mr. Rodgers comes to us with the finest record and recommendations and has been gradually getting acquainted with the school and the town and developing some of his own ideas about education at the high school level.

The School Committee's problems might well be divided into three major fields: plant, curriculum, and staff. We have already dealt with the plant. Curriculum will be discussed by the principals in a subdivision of this report. The third and most critical problem remains staff because only as long as we are able to recruit and keep good teachers will we be able to offer the children of Reading the kind of superior education they are going to need in a world of cold wars and Sputniks. There is little comfort in the fact that Reading is not alone in facing this problem. All over the country school committees are wrestling with it and hoping to beat it. The Superintendent and principals are constantly looking for qualified teachers and trying to lure them to Reading by one means or another. Salary, of course, is the number one drawing card which will attract teachers to any community. Last year a salary study was conducted by a committee made up of representatives from the School Committee, the Finance Committee and the Teachers Club. Much concrete information was gathered together and broken down for reference purposes, but the most important result of the study was the increased understanding among the different groups for the very real problems facing each. The great lack in this study was a new approach to the whole problem of teachers' salaries. The School Committee feels that the time has come when the whole policy of setting salary schedules must be reexamined and a more modern and realistic approach made. The implications involved in such a move are enormous for all concerned. Developing such a policy will be slow and require much careful thought, since it could no doubt mean a major break with tradition. The School Committee, however, is convinced that such a study should be made

with the object of establishing a more equitable schedule. We haven't the time to wait for a ready-made solution to come from a neighboring town or to be handed down by some government agency. We must set about working out our own answers and try to come up with a basic philosophy which will permit us to attract and hold qualified teachers. The citizens of Reading may well ponder these questions and decide how important is the education of their children. The School Committee considers it one of the major problems facing our country today.

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### SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUDGET — 1957

<b>Appropriations, Transfers &amp; Refunds 1957</b>		<b>Expended 1957</b>
<b>SALARIES:</b>		
\$ 46,407.32	Supt., Clerks and Enf. of Law .....	\$ 45,027.01
21,166.66	Directors .....	22,079.24
1,400.00	Misc. Salaries of Instruction .....	896.37
31,724.98	Principals .....	34,382.98
603,246.66	Teachers .....	596,976.84
78,831.10	Custodians and Matrons .....	76,604.40
10,501.80	Health .....	10,547.64
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\$793,278.52		\$786,514.48
<b>MAINTENANCE:</b>		
\$ 1,000.00	Supt. Office Expense .....	\$ 1,219.77
300.00	Research and Prof. Study .....	300.00
1,000.00	Printing .....	1,097.02
400.00	Travel Expense .....	470.96
800.00	Prin. Office Expenses .....	830.23
3,200.00	Telephone .....	3,012.90
150.00	Travel Expense — Enf. of Law .....	150.00
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\$ 6,850.00	Total General Control .....	\$ 7,080.88
<b>INSTRUCTION:</b>		
\$ 1,000.00	Travel Exp. Directors and Prin. ....	\$ 815.72
16,350.00	Textbooks and Supplementary Books .....	14,446.52
12,700.00	Supplies — School .....	12,489.37
2,500.00	Supplies — Shop .....	2,563.12
1,000.00	Supplies — Dom. Science .....	759.83

1,785.00	Audio — Visual .....	725.84
1,200.00	Physical Ed Equipment .....	962.44
850.00	Tests .....	926.93
6,495.10	Instructional Apparatus .....	7,240.55
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\$ 44,030.10	Total Instruction .....	\$ 41,054.15
	<b>OPERATION OF PLANT:</b>	
\$ 27,000.00	Fuel .....	\$ 25,377.44
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14,000.00	Electricity .....	12,892.64
550.00	Gas .....	492.08
300.00	Laundry and Summer Cleaning .....	326.45
600.00	Ash Removal .....	354.75
400.00	Exp. of Supr. of Bldgs. and Grounds .....	514.51
7,000.00	Janitors' Supplies .....	6,942.69
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	<b>AUXILIARY AGENCIES:</b>	
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modated on a reasonable teacher-pupil ratio without extending our costs for transportation which are already excessive. Pupils were distributed to buildings as follows.

School	Grades	Rooms	Enrollment
Lowell Street School .....	1-4	4	107
Prospect Street School .....	1-4	4	122
Pearl Street School .....	1-6	15	420
Highland School .....	1-6	13	438
Joshua Eaton School .....	1-6	18	535
Birch Meadow School .....	1-6	18	467
Junior High School .....	7-8	18	486
Senior High School .....	9-12	42	1000
Special Education .....		1	10

### Staff

With the opening of a new elementary school it was necessary to add eight new teachers to our teaching staff. There were 31 resignations at various grade levels for reasons as follows:

To other school systems .....	13
Not reappointed .....	4
Left teaching .....	6
Marriage, maternity, travel .....	5
Retirement .....	3

Acting upon the recommendations of the State Department of Education, and under special Acts passed by the General Court, the School Committee appointed Mr. William O'Keefe to the position of Youth Adjustment Counselor. Mr. O'Keefe works with children of the elementary school age, grades one through eight.

Three respected members of our staff retired during the year, after long and faithful service to the Reading School Department.

1. Mr. Rudolf Sussmann, Principal of the Senior High School — 1917 to 1957 — 40 years.

2. Mrs. Margaret Tyacke, teacher of Physical Education and English, Junior High School — 1926 to 1957 — 31 years.

3. Miss Alberta Drury, teacher in the Commercial Department of Reading High School — 1917 to 1957 — 40 years.

As the number of qualified teachers continues to be in short supply in the face of increased demands, it becomes more difficult each year to recruit new personnel for the teaching staff. This problem requires the combined effort of all the principals and the superintendent over a period of several months and is a time-consuming process. In this connection, it should be noted that salaries are not always the determining factor in securing new teachers. The fact that Reading has a reputation for having good schools and is located close to the Boston area proves to be helpful in this situation, since many teachers desire to work in a community which is within easy commuting distance of the many educational and cultural opportunities that exist in this metro-

politan area. However, in these times of inflation and high cost of living our salaries must be at a level which compares favorably with other surrounding towns. At present there is no stability in the whole salary structure for teachers either here in New England or other parts of the nation. For the past two years, the legislature has established by law the minimum annual salary which must be paid to a teacher—first at a level of \$3000 in 1956, then \$3300, effective in September 1957. There are bills now filed which, if enacted by the General Court, will establish new minimum salaries for teachers in the Commonwealth at \$4000. For this reason, all communities are faced with the problem of revising their salary schedules annually and making necessary salary adjustments for all teaching personnel. Considering the overall problems of financing all the requests, services and programs of capital outlay which face the Town of Reading, it may well be that certain priorities will have to be placed on items of capital outlay and that salary adjustments which may be decided upon may have to be spread over a period of more than one year. Furthermore, there are many people who are not happy or satisfied with the existing, traditional approach to teacher salary schedules. If there is to be a new look at this problem with the idea that any schedule of salaries should attract qualified people and at the same time make provision for rewarding competent and outstanding teachers on the basis of merit, then considerable study should be given as to how such a schedule would be administered. This study in its initial stage can well be the responsibility of our administrative staff with the help of School Committee members.

### **Instructional Program**

In a rapidly changing world, schools must constantly reappraise and evaluate the program of instruction. This work goes on in our schools under the direction of the supervising principals and special supervisors. Reference to the reports of the principals indicate that we have made some progress particularly in the areas of Science, Art, Music and Guidance in the elementary schools. During the latter part of this year much has been written and said about the work of the American public schools. There is widespread concern that our schools are not placing the proper emphasis on those subjects which are vital if we are to supply the necessary manpower to develop the missiles, satellites, and gadgets for the new world of space. It is entirely a good thing for the people to become concerned about the education of their children, particularly if they are intent upon seeing to it that their children make the most of the educational opportunities that are provided by the schools. America has committed itself to a program of Secondary Education for all the pupils of all the people, not alone for those who wish to prepare themselves for further education at the college level. It is not likely that the people will wish to abandon this program in favor of a limited offering that serves but one objective. After all, the society and standards of living and government in the free world of today have their foundations

built upon the principles, ideals and thought that have come from the liberal arts. Mathematics and science must continue to receive considerable emphasis throughout the twelve years of schooling provided by the public. This is being done in the Reading Schools.

If the Reading School Department operates with some measure of success in fulfilling the purposes for which it exists, then this success is the result of the efforts, hard work, devotion to duty and self sacrifice of many individuals — 222 of them, in fact — teachers, supervisors, administrators, secretaries, nurses, doctors and custodians. During the year many organizations, parents and interested citizens assist us in our work.

School Committee members receive little recognition. In my position, I know a great deal about their personal sacrifice, hard work and serious purpose in attempting to deal with the variety of problems presented to them for decision and action. These people represent democracy in action at its best.

Respectfully submitted,

ROBERT F. PERRY,

Superintendent of Schools

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## **REPORT OF MAINTENANCE WORK**

**Completed during year 1957**

### **Mr. Roderick Macdonald, Supervisor of Maintenance**

With one or two exceptions, all items in the school budget under Grounds, Buildings, Service System, Plumbing and Heating, and Furniture Repair were completed. One painting job was done by a contractor and all other painting in the schools was done by custodians and summer help.

For the amount of money, equipment and help available the grounds are improved over a year ago as far as general appearance. However, the care of grounds is the weakest part of the maintenance program.

The list of items includes budget items, school safety items under an article passed by the Town Meeting to cover requirements of Public Safety Department and maintenance and repair items that develop through the year.

Because of two resignations and the building of a new school it was necessary to hire new custodians. We were fortunate to be able to get exceptionally good men. All schools are in excellent condition except the Lowell Street School. The credit for the fine condition of our schools belongs to the custodians.

### **Senior High School**

Shower rods and curtains in coaches' shower-room

Mat hooks in gymnasium

Music room cabinet shelves removed and new partitions installed

Storage shelves under cafeteria

Fluorescent light fixtures installed under cafeteria



4 grilles installed in makeup rooms to take care of condensation  
 Installed grilles in gymnasium folding doors to take care of condensation  
 Electric outlet installed under auditorium seats  
 Installed hooks and wires in cafeteria for fastening decorations  
 Kitchen pig installed in pre-rinse sink in cafeteria  
 Gland replaced on Nash centrifugal pump in boiler room  
 New chalkboards installed in Room 114 and music room  
 Window shades in Rooms 105, 106, 107, 12 and 212  
 4½ tons fertilizer and 5 bales peat moss used on grounds  
 Iron nipples replaced with brass in crawl spaces  
 Blowoffs on boilers piped to drains  
 12 shower rods and curtains in girls' shower room  
 Installed clock in girls' shower room  
 New steel goal posts in new football field  
 Astragals on roof doors  
 Lock cylinders keyed by departments: Boys' gymnasium, girls' gymnasium, science, mathematics, commercial and shop  
 5 blackout shades in upper library — Room 119  
 New storage area under gymnasium floor — floor, door and driveway

### **Painting**

Ceiling of dressing and makeup rooms  
 Outside areaway grilles  
 Lines on parking space  
 Interior smoke doors, stair risers, classroom outside doors  
 All exterior doors  
 Exterior lally columns and railings  
 Goal posts

### **New Equipment**

Kitchen pig  
 7' Triplex National mower  
 10' magnesium stepladder  
 40' magnesium extension ladder

### **Junior High School**

Installed outlet for new refrigerator in cafeteria  
 New smoke doors installed in basement corridor  
 Tile ceiling installed in Mechanical Drawing Room  
 Installed new door from basement corridor to football field; remounted door check  
 Made and installed 48 locker room bench bases and made new tops  
 Repaired door jamb and remounted door check on King Street basement door  
 Repaired door and lock at Temple Street entrance  
 24 lights of wired glass replaced in girls' shower room  
 Girls' locker and shower rooms repainted  
 Window shades in Rooms 202, 203, Office, 4 on south side of auditorium balcony

Blackout curtains in Room 205  
1½ tons fertilizer spread on field and lawns.  
Trimmed shrubbery and trees  
Used weed control under bleachers and around fence and on poison ivy  
New gaskets on fan motor oil gauges  
Replaced 30 bleacher planks  
New dry wall and cork bulletin boards in Rooms 102 and 202  
Radiator in Mechanical Drawing Room installed  
Loamed and seeded low spots on lower athletic field  
Capped flue in chimney  
Replaced bolts in all lockers  
Installed 2 new gymnasium exit doors, panic bars and door checks  
Installed new exit door from boys' locker room, panic bars, door checks  
and locks  
Replaced broken wire glass in basement fire partition.

### **Painting**

Bike racks  
Girls' locker and shower room  
Art Room walls  
One wall in Room 101  
One wall in Room 102

### **New Equipment**

8' magnesium stepladder  
18" Excello rotary mower  
Country flag set  
11 cu. ft. G.E. refrigerator for Home Economics Room  
New refrigerator for Cafeteria

### **Birch Meadow School**

Installed basketball backboards  
Stainless steel plates under soap dispensers  
Installed fire extinguishers  
Racks and hooks for custodians' equipment  
Painted floor of storage loft  
Hooks for mats in gymnasium installed  
Teachers' mail box for office constructed and mounted

### **Joshua Eaton School**

Panic bar and all gymnasium locks repaired  
Installed outlet for movies and sound rear of auditorium  
Audio-visual blinds installed in auditorium  
Front of auditorium and proscenium arch repainted  
Entrance lobby off stage repainted and plaster repaired  
Damaged gutter removed and all roof and gutter repairs made  
Shelving and bench and racks installed in old shower room to make  
custodians' supply room  
2 Corridor walls and classroom doors repainted

Univent in gymnasium repaired  
Light switch in refrigerator replaced  
Made new guard for back of rotary mower  
Repaired clock in tower  
Repaired and replaced broken and loose ceramic tiles in corridors  
Repaired fence  
Repaired backstop  
Trimmed Shrubbery  
Spread 1 ton fertilizer on lawns  
Repaired traverse rods in Rooms 1 and 8 through 18  
Repaired roof by gym exhaust fans  
Vacuum pumps rebuilt  
Retaining wall 150' long constructed  
Hot-topped area of 825 yds.

### **Painting**

Clock hands  
Lawn mower room, walls and floor  
Room 5 — counter top  
Room 15 — Dado, cabinets and sink  
Room 16 — Dado, cabinets and sink  
Room 17 — Dado, cabinets and sink  
Playground equipment  
Room 7 — Cabinets and sink  
Long corridor  
Gymnasium doors  
Electrical cabinets

### **Highland School**

Shelves and racks installed in matron's closet  
Racks for ladders installed  
Outside door locks repaired  
Rack made for storage of paper towels  
Incinerator room cleaned out and painted  
Radiation repaired and cleanouts replaced after fire  
Dishwasher repaired  
Furniture dismantled and sent off to be refinished after fire  
Books and furniture moved to other schools

### **Lowell Street School**

New flagpole and flag  
Made book panel and reorganized custodian's supplies  
Repaired 3 light fixtures  
Roof shingles repaired  
30 lights of glass replaced in first 3 weeks of summer  
Railing and newell caps repaired  
Openings around air ducts stuffed with fiberglass  
Grilles on janitor's room window  
Venetian blinds in classrooms

Grilles on 8 basement windows  
Wooden shingles repaired on outside  
All outside door locks repaired  
Fence repaired — Hartshorn St. side

**Painting**

Stairwells, basement floors and exterior doors

**Prospect Street School**

New flagpole and flag  
Patched all holes in boiler room  
Exit and fire escape signs  
Masonry stop between boiler room and oil tank room  
Door check on boiler room door  
Repaired front door lock

**Painting**

Boys' and girls' lavatories  
Basement floor  
Stair risers

**Pearl Street School**

Installed new dishwasher  
New bracing and door check installed at north end  
New ceiling installed in unfinished part of cafeteria  
New light fixture installed at end of cafeteria  
Enclosed pipes under basket in gymnasium  
New coat hook strips put up in basement corridor  
Put panels in 5 doors  
New lock put on one outside door  
New hinge fastenings installed on 3 classroom doors  
Laid 2 asphalt tile floors in Rooms 203 and 208  
Installed corkboard in back of 4 display cases  
Installed new shades in Rooms 101 and 103  
Hot water connected to custodians' closets on 1st and 2nd floors  
Light fixtures lowered in activity room  
Activity room repainted  
Railings refastened to building  
Checked part of Powers thermostats and controls  
Removed and capped toilet off Room 103  
Repaired linoleum and removed partitions  
Put in medicine cabinet for Health Room  
All lost tiles replaced  
Replaced floor tiles under dishwasher  
New work bench in custodian's room  
Repaired merry-go-round  
Repaired stoker platform  
Repaired shelf in cafeteria  
Installed map strip in basement classroom  
Installed brackets on cafeteria table  
Repairs to fence — rear of school  
New door check brace at south exit of building

## **Painting**

Main corridor inside of exit doors  
Auditorium doors and front of stage  
Activity room  
Basement corridor  
Exterior window sills  
Playground equipment  
Bike racks  
Cabinet and dado in Room 103, also walls and small room adjoining  
Baseboards in all rooms  
Inside stoker bins  
Cabinets and clothes closet doors in Rooms 104, 105, 107, 201, 206, 207, 208

## **New Equipment**

Dishwasher  
36' magnesium extension ladder  
Tornado vac

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## **School Safety Equipment**

### **Senior High School**

Fusible links on 2 sets of crawl space doors under stage  
Fire alarm system with 35 detectors and 17 alarm stations connected to town alarm system (Not zoned)  
Emergency unit for lights, sump pump, circulating pump, audio system, RCA  
Oil burners  
Fire blanket for Chem Lab  
4 Mechanical fire alarm bells  
Fire extinguishers: 38 soda and acid; 15 CO<sub>2</sub>; 1 Foam; 10 DCs

### **Junior High School**

Removed gas emergency lights and capped  
Installed wire glass in all basement, shop and classroom doors  
Door check on boiler room door  
Exit signs on 1st, 2nd and 3rd floors — King Street stairwell  
7 Emergency light units with 26 heads to cover gymnasium, cafeteria, King St. stairwell, and corridors and auditorium  
Exit sign over boys' locker room outside door  
Installed 2 fire bells  
Fire blanket for cooking room  
Fire extinguishers: Seven 10-lb. CO<sub>2</sub>; two 10-lb. DC; four 4-lb. DC; 19 soda and acid  
Fire alarm system connected to town master box with 6 alarm stations



### **Birch Meadow School**

Fire alarm system with 28 detectors and 10 call stations with four zones to be connected to Town Fire Alarm System  
Fire extinguishers: two soda and acid; two 10-lb. CO<sub>2</sub>; two 20-lb. DC; three foam

### **Joshua Eaton School**

Fusible link on crawl space door  
Boiler room repaired and door check installed  
Bricked up hole in chimney  
Fire alarm system installed in attic and boiler room with stand-by battery operation connected to master box of Town Fire Alarm System  
(Detectors operate on attained 160°F or upon rate of rise of over 15°F per minute)  
Fire extinguishers: seven soda and acid; three 10-lb. CO<sub>2</sub>; one 5-lb. CO<sub>2</sub>; two 10-lb. DC; one foam  
1 fire blanket for kitchen

### **Lowell Street School**

Installed 7 fire bells  
Fire extinguishers: two 10-lb. DC; 4 soda and acid

### **Pearl Street School**

Door check on two janitors' room doors  
Removed and capped all gas emergency lights  
Installed 5 emergency light units with 21 heads to cover gymnasium, cafeteria, assembly hall, halls, stairwells and corridors  
Installed 4 fire bells  
Fire extinguishers: two 10-lb. DC; one 5-lb. CO<sub>2</sub>; one 10-lb. CO<sub>2</sub>; 12 soda and acid

### **Prospect Street School**

Fire extinguishers: two 10-lb. DC; one foam; one soda and acid; installed 5 fire bells

# REPORT OF THE PRINCIPAL OF THE READING MEMORIAL HIGH SCHOOL

William W. Rodgers, Principal

## I. Enrollment — September, 1957:

In spite of the fact that approximately 54 pupils transferred to North Reading in June 1957, the enrollment at the High School has increased as follows:

Grade	Boys	Girls	Total
9	167	143	310
10	142	134	277
11	106	115	222
12	89	106	194
P.G.	3	—	3
Total			1,006

## II. Staff Changes:

For the school year, 1957-1958, Mrs. Jane Cutcliffe has been appointed Head of the English Department. Mr. Clifford W. Baker is now the Head of the Mathematics Department; Mr. Alton C. Bennett serves in a similar capacity as Head of the Social Studies Department.

Mr. Ara A. Karakashian, our able Director of Guidance, has been serving this year as Acting Assistant Principal and Dean of Boys. The following teachers have been helping this year on a part-time basis as Guidance Counselors: Miss Helen Hart, Mr. Robert Bronner, Mr. John Pacino, and Mr. Clifford Baker.

In the high school office Miss Jean Underhill has replaced Mrs. Myrtle W. Tilton as Secretary to the Principal. Our other capable secretaries are Miss Anna G. Freeman and Miss Louise Davis.

## III. Class Size — Building Capacity:

In many communities in the U.S. today high schools are overcrowded or operating on a double shift. Many teachers are faced with the problem of instructing classes consisting of thirty-five or forty pupils, an almost hopeless task. The young people of high school age in Reading are fortunate indeed in having a new, modern high school staffed by an able, dedicated group of teachers.

In October 1957, using criteria recommended by the Massachusetts State Department of Education and the U.S. Office of Education, the capacity of the Reading High School was computed and found to be 1,125. Our high school enrollment will not exceed this figure for several more years.

Reading High School is also fortunate in the size of its individual classes. A recent survey of class size reveals that our average class consists of between 23 and 26 pupils, an ideal situation which permits teachers to teach and pupils to learn.

#### IV. Educational Highlights, 1957-1958:

The current school year has brought many changes to our school. Listed and described below are a few representative activities which will indicate how our staff, our teachers, and our pupils are constantly working together to improve the educational effectiveness of our school.

A. This year our Band has been scheduled as a regular subject during the school day. The resulting improvement in our Band has been most gratifying. In addition to 54 pupils enrolled in our Band, there are approximately 100 pupils enrolled in choral music, also rehearsing in school time. We also have the nucleus of a school orchestra of twenty-two members which meets for two rehearsals a week.

B. This year we have had many faculty meetings devoted to a profitable discussion of common school problems. Our Teachers' Institute on September 4, 5, and 6 was very worthwhile. Along with other activities the entire Faculty was divided into four discussion groups to study and to report on the following topics:

1. The School Schedule.
2. Our Marking System and Examinations.
3. Challenging the Exceptional Pupil.
4. Promoting Self-Discipline Among the Student Body.

C. Our Heads of Department are meeting regularly with the members of their departments to improve teaching procedures and curriculum content. This year the curriculum in the Social Studies will be intensively studied and revised. This year also the Heads of Department are meeting regularly with the Principal and the Assistant Principals as an Advisory Council.

D. Increased emphasis has been placed this year upon the Honor Roll. As a result of faculty discussions two categories of Honors have been established: High Honors and Honors. For High Honors a student must receive at least three A's and one B. For Honors he must receive a minimum of four B's.

A list of all students making the Honor Roll has been posted in every homeroom, as well as being sent to the newspapers for publication. At the end of the first marking period 22% of our student body received Honors or High Honors, indicating that our students do take pride in academic school achievement.

E. For the fourth year in succession the Reading High School Yearbook, the "Pioneer", has won a first-place award in the competition conducted annually by the Columbia Scholastic Press Association. A large group of students are already hard at work on the Yearbook for this year, ably directed and guided by Miss Roy, Miss Alden, Miss Stembridge, and Mr. Lorden.

F. This year we are encouraging our Student Council to take a more active role in the affairs of our student body. Under the able leadership of the faculty sponsor, Mr. James Aldrich, the council has elected officers and has selected committees who are actively undertaking many projects which promise to promote student morale and self-government.

G. The daily bell schedule of the school has been revised so as to provide greater flexibility. Actually four schedules are available making it possible to have a long guidance or assembly period in the morning, or a long guidance, assembly, or activity schedule at the end of the day while having a full schedule of regular classes. The schedule for every day is announced at least a week in advance through the medium of a printed daily bulletin.

Our pupil report card has been revised and brought up to date. More emphasis is being placed upon the role of the homeroom teacher; all pupils now report to their homerooms in the morning before going to their first period class.

H. Our school library has now grown to 3,060 volumes; total circulation for 1956-1957 was 9,253 books. A staff of 12 student librarians has worked voluntarily and effectively to make the library more useful to more students. All 9th grade classes have been given instruction in the use of the library by our librarian, Mrs. Macdonald. Each year our school library becomes more and more an integral part of our instructional program.

## **V. A Look Into the Future:**

World events in 1957 have imposed upon our American Public Schools an ever-increasing responsibility to develop to a higher degree the scientific and intellectual abilities of our students. Our competitors in the struggle for world domination are using public education as an instrument of national policy. To improve our public schools even further has become one of the primary considerations of our national defense and struggle for survival.

The staff and faculty of the Reading High School realize that we must constantly examine and re-examine our present school practices, ever striving to improve the educational effectiveness of our school to all of our students. Some of the problems which concern us and which we feel need further study in the months ahead are as follows:

1. We have too many pupils at present in study hall. We are using our cafeteria and auditorium during some periods of the day as study halls. Possibly our pupils should be encouraged to carry an additional subject; in the case of our able pupils this would be most desirable. Possibly we should have fewer class periods each day with more teaching time for each period.

2. We need to increase our pupil enrollment in art, in home economics, and in our shop courses. Instead of having a study hall, I feel confident that many of our pupils would be better off to take art, music, home economics, or shop as a fifth subject. For many pupils the taking of a fifth subject as an elective in one of these areas would be a way of enriching their programs.

3. In the next few years Reading High School must do more to challenge its able pupils who could progress in school at a much faster rate than is the case at present. We have already made plans to set up accelerated classes for gifted students in the fall of 1958. It is our belief that not only can many of our students **do** more, but, given the chance, they would actually **enjoy** doing it.

Not to challenge our able people to work up to the level of their capacity is a serious waste of human resources. In the future we must create more and more enriched and accelerated classes for our able, gifted pupils.

4. Just as we need to create special classes for our very able pupils, so we also need to do more for some of our pupils who are handicapped by poor reading skills. Until these pupils receive special help in reading, they will be handicapped in their regular school work. In our present 9th and 10th grades we have enough pupils of average ability but low reading ability to constitute four special classes in remedial reading. While these pupils do receive some help from their regular English classes, it is not enough. In addition to their regular English class, they should be given special help in remedial reading in a small class taught by a teacher who has special training in remedial reading.

5. We need to increase our guidance staff at the high school in order to meet better the needs of our students. In the future we should try to reach the goal of having the equivalent of three full-time people on our guidance staff, the minimum number recommended for a school the size of Reading High School.

These are only a few of the problems which we shall face in the future. There are others which have not been mentioned because of the limitations of time and space. Since a school is a living, dynamic organization, there will always be problems, some minor — some major. Our school will continue to progress only as we continue to identify and solve these and similar problems. This is our responsibility and our challenge for the future.

#### **VI. A Word of Thanks:**

In conclusion, I should like to express my personal thanks to all of the people at Reading High School with whom I have been associated since August, 1957, and who have helped me in so many ways. I should like to thank particularly Mr. Robert Perry, Mr. Elmer Young, Mr. Ara Karakashian, and the secretaries in our school office.

It is a genuine pleasure and privilege to be associated with such professionally-minded colleagues in Reading, a town where public education receives the wholehearted support of all citizens.

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### **WALTER S. PARKER JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL**

#### **ANNUAL REPORT**

**1957**

During the calendar year of 1957 we lost the services of 7 teachers. Two of these transferred within the Reading system, two married women left because their husbands accepted work which took them to another state, one left to enter an industrial field, one failed of reappointment, and one retired. Mrs. Margaret Tyacke left us on November 15 after



teaching in Reading for 31 years, and was the last of the original faculty of this school. Mrs. Tyacke was an unfailing source of help and inspiration to both students and teachers, always being willing and eager to help others in any way possible. We have been fortunate in finding satisfactory replacements to maintain the high quality of our staff.

With the opening of the Eirch Meadow School we no longer have the four 6th grade groups with us. We were able to offer quarters for one Grade 2 group of the Highland School while repairs were being made to that building. Our total enrollment dropped from 663 to 490, but the larger entering 7th Grade of September 1958 will increase the number of pupils to about 575 at that time. In September 1959 we will be well over capacity unless additional facilities are provided.

The program of studies in Grade 8 allows pupils to make one elective choice for the first time in their school program. Pupils may select from French, Latin, or Business Training, or may take additional periods of Home Economics or Industrial Arts, or have additional study periods. This gives an opportunity for experience and background in these fields as a basis for High School electives. The various electives are chosen by approximately the same proportion of pupils each year.

Results of the Stanford Achievement Test given to Grade 8 in May indicated that our average pupil was a year in advance of the national average. While the test scores are gratifying they also point out areas in which we can accomplish more than we have, and indicate common types of subject deficiencies. In this connection it should be noted that our teachers meet regularly by departments to discuss and analyze materials, methods, and techniques being used, and ways in which their teaching may be made more effective. Grade and department chairmen also spend much time with our new teachers to help them become thoroughly acquainted with our program, and be better integrated members of our school system.

Our two activity periods a week are used primarily for extra work in music — such as Glee Club and Orchestra, or for service to the school as a whole. Such organizations as Student Council, Engineers, Traffic Leaders, and others give valuable experience in certain areas while carrying out duties of great help in operating the school more effectively. About 80% of all eligible pupils engage in activities of these kinds.

The school continues in good physical shape. The Maintenance Department operates efficiently in making needed repairs and replacements, and the custodians keep the entire plant in excellent operating condition.

This fall the Adult Education program in Reading got under way with four classes meeting in this school one night a week. From the interest shown to date it is evident that a greatly expanded program will be necessary to meet the needs of local adults. Programs of this type put to good use the facilities of our educational plant which otherwise would be idle outside of regular school hours.

ALBERT H. WOODWARD

## ANNUAL REPORT FOR 1957

### THE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS OF READING

The elementary school educational scene has undergone considerable change since the close of 1956. The extensive fire damage at the Highland School, the subsequent inauguration of the double session at the Pearl Street School, the redistricting of the elementary school population, and the opening of the Birch Meadow School in September, 1957, constituted the essential nucleus of administrative detail during the course of this year.

On March 6, 1957, the Highland School was partially destroyed by fire. The condition of the building immediately following the fire was such that the children could no longer be housed there until major repairs and renovations had been made. After a delay of only one week, a double session program was inaugurated at the Pearl Street School with the Pearl Street students attending the morning session and the Highland School students attending the afternoon session. Much credit is due to the staff of both schools that this program was put into operation with as little disruption of the school program as possible. Emergency bus schedules were set up to transport the Highland School pupils to the Pearl Street School each day. This plan was continued again in the fall. At the opening of school in September of 1957, three rooms at the Birch Meadow School were used to house two Highland School first grades and one second grade. One Highland second grade was housed at the Junior High School. These children attended school on a regular session.

As of January 2, 1958, the entire Highland School student body will once again be housed in the newly renovated Highland School. The repairs made at Highland have been extensive and have included such major changes as new lighting, a new roof, repairs to the heating system, new electrical wiring, the installation of additional closet and storage space, new bulletin boards, as well as new flooring and complete redecoration of the building. On their return to Highland School, the pupils will find their building more attractive, more functional, more modern than ever before in its sixty year history.

The new eighteen room Birch Meadow School opened on September 23, 1957, with an initial enrollment of 555 pupils, including three rooms from the Highland School on a temporary basis. Several weeks of staff meetings and organizational planning preceded the opening of the school. The open house in October provided the townspeople with an opportunity to view the new building in its final stages of construction. The unique design of this building in its natural wooded setting, its colorful classrooms, its all purpose cafetorium and play-room made this one of the most modern and attractive elementary schools in this area.

The opening of the school plant at Birch Meadow made it possible for the elementary schools to resume operation on a grade one to grade six basis — the organizational set-up which is considered most desir-

able for elementary schools according to child growth and development studies. All sixth graders who have been housed in the Junior High School and the Senior High School for the past several years were able to return to the elementary school in their district. The above factors and the geographical location of our elementary schools demanded townwide elementary school redistricting.

The redistricting program was based on the principle that pupils should attend the school which was nearest to their home. The general aim was to provide a reasonable teacher-pupil ratio in each classroom and to avoid any unnecessary financial outlay in terms of pupil transportation costs. Pupils who were within walking distance of each elementary school were initially assigned. The assignment of pupils who lived beyond the transportation limits was then determined, considering the most reasonable bus routes possible. Thus, the redistricting program has resulted in a pupil-teacher ratio of twenty-nine pupils for each teacher as compared to a 1956 pupil-teacher ratio of thirty-two pupils for each teacher. The desirable classroom size of twenty-five pupils for each teacher has therefore, become closer to reality in Reading.

The following figures show the distribution of the elementary school pupils for the year 1956-1957:

Grade 1 .....	325	354
Grade 2 .....	306	315
Grade 3 .....	338	311
Grade 4 .....	366	346
Grade 5 .....	334	351
Grade 6 .....	247	326
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1916 (October 1, 1956)		2003 (October 1, 1957)

With the continued growth of the elementary school population and the problem of making maximum use of school facilities, the redistricting of our elementary schools on a limited basis will become an annual problem.

### Staff

As in recent years, the problem of obtaining qualified elementary teachers has remained as one of great importance. The addition of the Birch Meadow School to our physical plant created several new teaching positions which increased the total number of our elementary school staff to seventy, sixteen of these teachers are new to Reading this year. Because of the reorganization of the elementary school grade structure, many teacher reassignments were made in order to provide a favorable townwide balance of talent and teaching experience in every elementary school. Despite the nationwide shortage of well-qualified elementary teachers, it is our feeling that the new teachers who were hired represent outstanding additions to our teaching force.

## **Revised School Hours**

A pre-school evaluation of the elementary school time schedule by the staff of the Birch Meadow School resulted in the adoption of an experimental time schedule at this school. The previous time schedule had been predicated on the idea that children went home for lunch, and did not remain at school. However, the adoption of a school lunch program in recent years has made our former time schedule unrealistic and inconsistent with the expanding demands which have been placed on our educational program.

A mid-day lunch and recess period of one hour and longer consumed much valuable school time, created a difficult problem of supervision, and was detrimental to the health and safety of our youngsters. This long period at mid-day resulted in great fatigue for our pupils, and did not maximize the learning time of our afternoon session.

The new time schedule which will become effective on January 2, 1958 at all large elementary schools provides for a limited noon program. This new schedule will increase the actual instructional time in the school day.

## **Instructional Program**

The necessity of continually improving the instructional program of the elementary schools has been uppermost in the minds of the elementary school staff. The continual appraisal of our present curriculum is an ongoing process. This year, however, there has been no major curriculum revision. The improvement has been focused on improving the use of our supervisory staff.

The role of our elementary supervisors in Art, Music, and Remedial Reading has undergone a significant change since the last school year. In the past, the supervisor has been viewed as a teacher of children and an aide to teachers in the improvement of instruction in specific school subjects. With an increase in our elementary school staff, and a new view of the role of the supervisor in education, the supervisor is presently conceived of as a person who serves as a consultant to teachers, a resource person whose aim is to improve the total instruction of all pupils by improving the knowledge and methods of each teacher. Workshops and individual conferences in specific content areas have considerably improved instruction.

An additional workshop opportunity was presented to our elementary school staff in September, 1957, when Miss Martha Ryder was selected to offer an in-service course on science. Miss Ryder has done considerable work in this field at Boston University and is regarded as an outstanding science educator. The purpose of this course was to make the latest materials and methods in science education available to our staff. Over one-third of our elementary school staff is currently meeting with Miss Ryder. Living in a world in which science has become increasingly more vital and responsible for such dynamic change, we feel that our science program at the elementary level is becoming more stimulating and informative.



Reading has also been one of the few communities in Massachusetts to appoint a School Adjustment Counselor, a position which was authorized by the State Legislature and compensated for by the State. Mr. William O'Keefe, a former elementary school teacher in Reading, has been appointed to this position. Mr. O'Keefe will work with children who have specific problems in relation to academic, social, and emotional growth. The increasing importance of the role of guidance in the public schools has made this position a necessity to many school systems.

In the field of guidance, there is also an increasing awareness of a need for a special class composed of primary grade children. As our school population expands, our attention is focused on meeting the individual needs of each child. At present we do not have a special class for children of primary school age. Children who do not have the ability to pursue a normal school program are now in regular classrooms. It is our feeling, however, that these children could progress more satisfactorily if they were grouped together in a small class under the leadership and skill of a teacher who has been trained for this specific purpose. During the coming year, considerable attention will be focused on this problem.

As another phase of the instructional program, we are anticipating the use of educational television in the elementary classrooms in the near future. WGBH-TV, Channel 2, and the State Department of Education are planning to begin programming of selected content areas. Communities in Eastern Massachusetts have been invited to participate in this program. It is our feeling that Reading should participate in this experiment, especially in view of its success in other communities throughout the country.

Submitted by

R. HILDA GAFFNEY

WILLIAM E. SIM

ELEANOR M. SKAHILL

ERNEST SPENCE

Supervising Principals

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## **ANNUAL REPORT — SUPERVISOR OF HEALTH**

Mr. Robert F. Perry  
Superintendent of Schools  
Reading, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Perry:

All essential health services — testing of vision, hearing, and physical examinations — were completed for the year ending in June 1957. Testing programs would be of no value if they did not result in the correction of defects found. In case of failure, a letter is sent to the parents telling of the failure and advising examination by a qualified doctor. This letter is accompanied by a form for the doctor to fill out



and return to school. After due course of time, if no action is taken, a home conference is sought to determine why.

The report of Vision Conservation program activities reads as follows:

Number of children tested .....	3478
Number who failed .....	194
Number seen by Eye Specialist .....	192
Accepted as correct referrals .....	192

The remaining two pupils, both examined previously, refuse to wear the glasses prescribed.

#### Report on Hearing Conservation Program:

Number tested by Pure Tone Audiometer .....	2445
Number who failed the final Pure Tone test .....	12
Number seen by a physician .....	12
Accepted as correct referrals .....	12

The program of physical examinations was duly completed for the school year 1956-57 by Dr. Wakeling, and all recommendations were explained to parents in home visits, telephone conferences, or by letter. The program of weighing and measuring was carried on in all Elementary schools and Junior High School.

The granting of additional funds for the running of the Dental Clinic allowed us to augment the program by the services of a Dental Hygienist, which has resulted in more children being cared for.

The Salk Polio Program was completed in February 1957. Clinics were held in all the schools. A total of 2838 children received vaccine. Many members of the teaching staff who started their series of inoculations at this time, were completed in October. Approximately 3143 Reading children have received protection through these clinics.

The annual program of inoculation with Triple and Double Antigen (Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus) was held in all the elementary schools in the spring. Four clinics for infants and children were held in the Town Building. The school clinic is largely a booster clinic, although a few in the first grade receive their primary inoculations. A total of 403 school children and 56 babies, received vaccine.

The school months from September 1957 through December have been very busy. Vision testing, except for absentees and new students, has been completed in all schools. Audiometer testing has been completed also, except for the Senior High School, which is now in progress.

The annual census of the Blind continues to have but one child who is attending the Emerson School in Malden. Thirty-five children were reported on the annual census of the Physically Handicapped. Of this number, four were new cases. Considerable time is spent on behalf of these children.

The problem of the retarded and emotionally disturbed child consumes hours of time. In the case of a retarded child with a physical

handicap, it means the obtaining of records and recommendations from the hospital and doctors as to the child's capabilities physically and mentally, and the reporting and interpretation of these to the school and the home. There would seem to be a definite need of a Special Class for the younger group of these children. Guidance of the physically and emotionally disturbed child is even more subtle. Many conferences have been held with the Guidance department and home visits made for them.

Seven children have required home teaching and I have obtained a teacher for them.

Care of the injured and of illness in school is, of course, an essential function of the health staff. There has been, and is, considerable illness. A total of 373 pupils have been cared for in the High School alone since September.

There has not been adequate time for classroom conferences, but this will improve in January. The Public Health Nurse is the teaching member of her profession and it is our hope that we bring something of value to those whom we serve.

Sincerely,

MARGARET B. CLEWLEY

Director of Health

**READING PUBLIC SCHOOLS**  
**AGE-GRADE TABLE — October 1, 1957**

Age	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	Total
Grade																		
1	69	263	20	2														354
2		57	233	25														315
3			59	232	19	1												311
4				76	237	32	0	1										346
5					80	250	19	2										351
6						113	191	20	1	1								326
7						54	166	26	2	1								249
8							76	141	19	1								237
9								7	207	83	9	4						310
10									5	217	47	3	1	0	1	1		275
11											1	173	41	4				219
12												7	140	37	8	1		193
PG														3				3
SE																		10
Total	69	320	312	335	336	396	265	266	177	238	304	236	189	45	8	2	1	3499 441 3940

Parochial School												
1	16	67	2									85
2		17	46	1								64
3			13	49	1							63
4				12	37	4						53
5					16	29	5					50
6					19	28	1					48
7						10	29	1	1			41
8							14	23				37
Total	16	84	61	62	54	52	43	44	24	1		441

## SCHOOL CALENDAR

1958 - 1959

Schools open	September 8, 1958
Teachers' Workshop — September 3, 4, 5, 1958	
No Sessions:	
Columbus Day	October 13, 1958
Teachers' Convention	October 31, 1958
Veterans' Day	November 11, 1958
Good Friday	March 27, 1959
Thanksgiving Recess	
From noontime	November 26, 1958
Reopen	December 1, 1958
Christmas Vacation	
From noontime	December 23, 1958
Reopen	January 5, 1959
Winter Vacation	
Close February 20, 1959 and reopen March 2, 1959	
Spring Vacation	
Close April 17, 1959 and reopen April 27, 1959	
Schools close	June 19, 1959

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## SCHOOL ENTRANCE REQUIREMENTS

To be eligible for admission to Grade I a child must have reached the age of five years and eight months on or before August 31st of the entering year. No provision is made for examination.

Upon entering school each child is required to present a birth certificate and a certificate of vaccination, or in the case of unsuccessful vaccination a statement from a doctor certifying that three attempts to vaccinate have been made, all of which have proved to be unsuccessful.

Registration of children entering school in September is held in the different schools during the month of May, announcement of exact time appearing in THE READING CHRONICLE a week or two before registration.

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## SCHOOL CLINICS

Dental Clinic — Wednesday, Thursday, Friday

Eaton School — 9 a. m. to 1 p. m.

Immunization Clinic — Annually by appointment



## APPOINTMENTS

### Senior High School

Bell, Jeanette	Mathematics
Chapman, Ardis V.	Home Economics
Dunbar, Robert H.	Social Studies
Gray, Robert R.	Mathematics and General Science
Halle, Claudette	French
Hart, Helen M.	English
Hodgkins, Wendell W.	English
Lorden, William F.	Commercial
Pierianowicz, Jerome H.	Science and Mathematics
Rodgers, William W.	Principal
Roth, James L.	Music
Schumaker, Elizabeth M.	Physical Education
Vincent, Gerard G.	English and Latin
White, Ruth A.	Social Studies

### Junior High School

Collins, Josephine	Social Studies
Grayson, Elizabeth B.	English
Hackett, Robert T.	Industrial Arts
Lovely, Donald J.	English and Social Studies
O'Gorman, Edward	Industrial Arts
Spencer, M. Phyllis	Business Training and Mathematics

### Birch Meadow School

Dye, Joan W.	Grade I
Gorrie, Jane L.	Grade III
Kenison, Marion	Grade II
McDonald, Mary F.	Grade I
Odegard, Carolyn	Grade II
Pardue, Josephine	Grade IV
Pierianowicz, Priscilla	Grade V
Tannenbaum, Harriet	Grade V
Taylor, Norma L.	Grade III

### Highland School

Hendershot, Edna	Grade I
*Leonard, James M.	Grade VI
Spracklin, Louise	Grade III

### Joshua Eaton School

Cox, Bertha	Grade I
Green, Donna L.	Grade V
Horwinski, Amy	Grade IV
Rouvalis, Louise	Grade VI
Ziskin, Harriet	Grade VI

**Pearl Street School**

Hunt, Susan B.	Grade II
McLellan, Marcia	Grade V
Woolaver, James H., Jr.	Grade VI

**Administration**

Davis, Louise	High School Office
Southard, Edna	Birch Meadow School Office
Walsh, Norma C.	Superintendent's Office

**Custodians**

Laskey, Ronan J.	Birch Meadow School
MacMillan, Frank	All Schools — General Maintenance
Mitchell, Frank	Joshua Eaton School
Petroni, Joseph	Pearl Street School

\*Returned from Military Service

**RESIGNATIONS****Senior High School**

Cornell, TenBroeck	French and Driver Education
Cox, Virginia	English and Latin
Durant, Frank A.	Music
Fitzgerald, Joseph F.	Administrative Assistant
Florence, Evelyn K.	Physical Education
Franzen, Alice H.	Commercial
Hanlon, William E.	History
McGrail, William T.	History
Morris, Gilberta	English
Robinson, Neil G.	Civics
Shay, Mary E.	English
Updike, Frances L.	English
Watson, Eleanor B.	Home Economics
White, Mary E.	Mathematics

**Junior High School**

Bacon, Barbara	English and Reading
Cram, Arthur T., Jr.	Industrial Arts
Jones, Jane D.	Social Studies
Morelli, Savino	Industrial Arts
Sudak, Clementina F.	English

**Birch Meadow School**

Dye, Joan W.	Grade I
Fillmore, Susan G.	Grade II

**Highland School**

Brown, Robert	Grade VI
Leslie, Dorothy	Grade V
Scott, Lydia	Grade III

**Joshua Eaton School**

Gaffny, Theresa  
Martin, Anna

Grade IV  
Grade I

**Pearl Street School**

Kerrigan, Elizabeth  
Cadorette, Jo Anne

Grade IV  
Grade II

**Administration**

McMullen, Margaret (deceased)

Superintendent's Office

**Custodians and Matrons**

Buckley, Daniel  
Lloyd, William

Highland School  
Lowell Street School

**MEMBERS OF READING SCHOOL FACULTIES**

(Dates indicate year of appointment in Reading)

**School Committee Office**

Robert F. Perry, B.S. (1935)

Superintendent of Schools

Roderick E. MacDonald, B.S.Ed. (1937)

Supervisor of Buildings  
and Grounds

Robert W. Wakeling, D.O. (1955)

School Physician

**Directors**

Philip W. Althoff, B.P.E., M.Ed. (1927) Director of Physical Education

Margaret B. Clewley, R.N., C.P.H. Simmons (1939) Director of Health

Aldona F. G. Bell, R.N. (1956) School Nurse

Assisting the Director of Health

Ara A. Karakashian, B.S., M.Ed. ((1954) Director of Guidance

William E. O'Keefe, B.S.Ed. (1954) Youth Adjustment Counselor

Assisting the Director of Guidance

Roderick E. Macdonald, B.S.Ed. (1937) Director of Industrial Arts

J. Douglas Oliver, B.E.Ed., M.M.Ed. (1948) Director of Music

**Senior High School**

William W. Rodgers, A.B., Ed.M. (1957)

Supervising Principal

Ara A. Karakashian, B.S., M.Ed. (1954)

Assistant Principal and  
Dean of Boys, Guidance

Florence G. Nichols, B.S.Ed. (1929) Asst. Principal and Dean of Girls

Clarissa B. Abbott, B.S.Ed. (1953) English

Rachel Alden, B.A. (1954) English

James M. Aldrich, A.B., A.M. (1954) History

Philip W. Althoff, B.P.E., M.Ed. (1927) Director of Physicad Ed.

Willis E. Anderson, A.B. (1955) Civics and Driver Education

Dorothy M. Austin, A.B. (1956) English

Clifford W. Baker, B.S., A.M. (1944) Head of Mathematics Dept.  
Guidance

Elizabeth A. Batchelder, B.S.Ed. (1916) Typewriting, Office Practice

Jeanette T. Bell, B.A. (1957)	English and Mathematics
Alton C. Bennett, A.B., M.A. (1947)	Head of History Dept., Coach
Harold E. Bond, B.A., M.A. (1956)	English
Robert Bronner, B.A., M.Ed. (1940)	Civics, Driver Ed., Counseling
Ardis V. Chapman, B.S. (1957)	Home Economics
Rose E. Chiesa, A.B., Cert. Superiere (1953)	French
Jane R. Cutcliffe, B.S.Ed., Ed.M. (1952)	Head of English Department
Elisabeth A. Dagdigian, A.B. (1953)	English and Latin
Robert H. Dunbar, A.B. (1957)	History
Mary H. Eaton, A.A., B.Ed. (1954)	Mathematics
David L. Garland B.S., Ed.M. (1956)	Biology
Robert R. Gray, B.S.Ed. (1957)	Mathematics, Coach
George W. Hall, Jr., B.S. (1956)	Industrial Arts
Claudette T. Halle, B.A. (1957)	French
Elizabeth G. Hardy, B.A. (1954)	Mathematics
Helen M. Hart, A.B., A.M. (1957)	English, Latin and Counseling
Wendell W. Hodgkins, A.B., M.A. (1957)	English
John A. Hollingsworth, Jr., B.S. (1955)	Math., Phys. Ed., and Coach
Doris L. Kelly, B.S., M.A. (1956)	Bookkeeping and General Business
Svea W. Kling, B.B.A., Ed.M. (1940)	Head of Commercial Dept.
Anne T. Landini, B.A. (1955)	Home Economics
Francis J. Logan, A.B. (1956)	Mathematics
William F. Lorden, B.S.Ed. (1957)	Commercial
Ernestine H. Macdonald, A.B. (1953)	Librarian
James T. Murphy, B.S. Ed., M.Ed. (1953)	Science
John B. Pacino, B.S., M.Ed. (1945)	Commercial, Counseling, Coach
Hazel M. Percy, A.B. (1955)	Mathematics
Jerome H. Pierianowicz, B.S.Ed., Ed.M. (1957)	Science
Frederick J. Pope, B.S., Ed.M. (1922)	Head of Science Department
Edward W. Roewer, A.B., M.Ed. (1955)	Spanish and Coach
James L. Roth, A.B. (1957)	Band and Chorus
Geraldine F. Roy, B.S., Ed.M. (1950)	Art
Elizabeth M. Schumaker, B.S. (1957)	Girls' Phys. Ed. and Coach
H. Neil Soule, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Science
Arthur L. Spencer, A.B., A.M. (1938)	Head of Foreign Language Dept. and Dramatics
Sally Stembridge, A.B. (1955)	English
Gerard G. Vincent, B.A. (1957)	English and Latin
Frederick C. Wales, B.S.E. (1942)	Industrial Arts
Gale M. Webber, B.S. (1956)	Civics and Coach
Ruth A. White, B.M. (1957)	Civics and History
Derick V. Willson, B.A., M.Ed. (1955)	Industrial Arts

### Junior High School

Albert H. Woodward, A.B., Ed.M. (1940)	Supervising Principal
John R. Copithorne, B.A., M.Ed. (1946)	Asst. Principal and Science and Head of Department
Louis Adreani, B.S., Ed.M. (1955)	Science
Harriet S. Beattie, B.S.Ed. (1937)	Art

Joan N. Broadcorens, B.S. (1956)	Household Arts and English
Stanley E. Butcher, A.B. (1949)	Social Studies, Head of Department
Josephine Collins, B.S.E. (1957)	Social Studies
Anna M. DeSantis, B.S.Ed. (1956)	Physical Education
Louise J. Eldridge, B.S., M.A. (1950)	Latin, French, English
Ethel L. Garfield, B.A. (1955)	Special Education
Donald E. Garland, B.S.Ed. (1956)	Science
Elizabeth Grayson, B.A. (1957)	English
Robert T. Hackett, B.S.Ed. (1957)	Industrial Arts
Walter E. Hawkes, B.S., Ed.M. (1933)	Physical Education
Hazel W. Hunt, B.A., M.Ed. (1949)	Social Studies
Helen R. Knight, B.S.E., Ed.M. (1946)	English, Head of Department
Donald Lovely, A.B. (1957)	English, Social Studies
Edward O'Gorman, A.B. (1957)	Industrial Arts
Wilma Recklitis, B.M. (1955)	Music and English
Dorothy B. Rice, A.B. (1949)	Mathematics, Head of Department
Ann K. Roewer, B.S.Ed. (1952)	Mathematics
Florentine C. Sembroski, B.A. (1956)	Mathematics
M. Phyllis Spencer, B.S.Ed. (1957)	Business Training and Math.
Forrest L. Troop, B.S.E., M. Ed. (1956)	English
Alice A. Welch, B.S. (1950)	Household Arts, Head of Department

### **Birch Meadow School**

Ernest G. Spence, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1951)	Supervising Principal
Dennis F. Murphy, B.S.Ed., A.M.Ed. (1953)	Asst. Principal, Grade 6
A. Josephine Berry, B.S.Ed. (1944)	Grade 1
Joan G. Dye, B.S.Ed. (1957)	Grade 1
Susan G. Fillmore, B.S.Ed. (1956)	Grade 2
Jane Gorrie, A.B. (1957)	Grade 3
Marion L. Kenison, A.B., M.Ed (1957)	Grade 6
Marylyn Mulcahy, B.S.Ed. (1955)	Grade 4
Josephine Pardue, B.S. (1957)	Grade 5
Carl G. Perkins, B.Ed. (1956)	Grade 6
Priscilla Pierianowicz, A.B., Ed.M. (1957)	Grade 4
E. Lorraine Pulson, B.S.Ed., M.E. (1947)	Grade 6
Martha E. Ryder, B.S.Ed., Ed.M. (1949)	Grades 4 and 5
Beatrice Stasinopulos, B.S.Ed. (1952)	Grade 5
Harriet Tannenbaum B.A. (1957)	Grade 5
Norma L. Taylor, B.A. (1957)	Grade 3
Florence A. Wood, Salem Normal (1956)	Grade 1

### **Highland School**

R. Hilda Gaffney, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1941)	Supervising Principal
Jean W. Bennett, Salem T.C. (1955)	Grade 5
Dorothy L. Burgess, Lesley School (1926)	Grade 3
Ruth B. Carroll, B.S.Ed. (1955)	Grade 6
Daisy W. Castine, Gorham S.T.C. (1956)	Grade 2
Catherine M. Chipman, Lowell T.C. (1944)	Grade 2
Velma C. Eastman, B.S.Ed. (1955)	Grade 4



Nellie P. Greene, B.S. (1953)	Grade 6
Edna E. Hendershot, Plymouth T.C. (1957)	Grade 1
James M. Leonard, A.A., B.S. (1954)	Grade 6
Irene Montigny, B.A. (1955)	Grade 5
Louise Spracklin, B.S.Ed. (1957)	Grade 3
Helen M. Thebideau, B.S.Ed. (1955)	Grade 4
Marion Weagle, B.S.E. (1946)	Grade 1

### **Joshua Eaton School**

Eleanor M. Skahill, B.S.Ed., Ed.M. (1943)	Supervising Principal
Doris S. Forbes, Plymouth T.C. (1947)	Asst. Principal and Grade 5
Clara A. Anderson, B.S. Ed. (1944)	Grade 3
Ann Baker, Conn. S.T.C. (1954)	Grade 2
Herbert Baron, B.S., Ed.M. (1955)	Grade 6
Bertha Cox, Salem T.C. (1957)	Grade 1
Shirley J. Crompton, B.S.Ed. (1955)	Grade 3
Lorraine Domingue, B.S.E. (1952)	Grade 2
Donna L. Green, B.A., Ed.M. (1957)	Grade 5
Amaryllis Horwinski, B.A., M.A. (1957)	Grade 4
Helena A. Markham, Framingham T.C. (1934)	Grade 3
John F. Morabito, B.S. (1954)	Grade 4
Helen B. Morgan, Lowell Normal (1953)	Grade 1
Gloria S. Rosenthal, B.S.Ed. (1955)	Grade 4
Louise J. Rouvalis, B.S.Ed. (1957)	Grade 6
Irene Royea, Aroostook Co. Normal (1928)	Grade 2
Kaye Sanborn, B.A. (1956)	Grade 5
Phyllis Snyder, B.S.Ed. (1955)	Grade 1
Harriet W. Ziskin, A.B., Ed.M. (1957)	Grade 6

### **With Headquarters at Joshua Eaton School**

Marie M. Hagman, B. of M. (1954)	Elementary Music Supervisor
Patricia M. Lyster, A.B. (1955)	Elementary Art Supervisor

### **Pearl Street School**

William E. Sim, B.S., M.A., Cert. of Adv. Study (1956)	Sup. Prin.
Mary M. Chapman, B.S.Ed. (1941)	Asst. Principal and Grade 5
Annalie D. Bean, B.S. (1956)	Grade 3
Mary E. Boghossian, B.S.Ed. (1956)	Grades 2 and 3
Velma E. Curtin, Perry Kindergarten School (1927)	Grade 2
Frances Haskins, Aroostook State T.C. (1943)	Grade 4
Ann M. Howe, Framingham T.C. (1947)	Grade 4
Susan Hunt, B.S.Ed. (1957)	Grade 2
Jean E. Jacob, B.Ed. (1955)	Grade 4
Marcia I. McLellan, B.A. (1957)	Grade 5
Dorothy R. Payzant, B.L.I. (1953)	Grade 1
Norman R. Seifel, B.S., Ed.M. (1955)	Grade 6
Dorothy L. Soar, Salem Normal (1951)	Grade 1
Helen D. Stockwell, Salem Normal (1930)	Grade 5
James H. Woolaver, Jr., B.S.Ed. (1957)	Grade 6
Frances E. Young, B.S.Ed. (1954)	Grade 3

**With Headquarters at Pearl St. School**

Barbara Hill, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1949)	Remedial Reading All Elementary Schools
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**Lowell Street School**

Stella M. Salva, B.S.Ed., M.Ed. (1951)	Building Principal & Grade 1
Dorothy Conron, B.S.Ed. (1953)	Grade 2
Sharon L. Cronkite, A.B. (1956)	Grade 4
Jessie L. Goddard, Bridgewater T.C. (1955)	Grade 3

**Prospect Street School**

Constance B. Loud, B.S.Ed. (1948)	Bldg. Principal and Grade 4
Grace L. Gifford, Wheelock (1943)	Grade 1
Alberta R. Mathieson, Salem T.C. (1924)	Grade 2
Marialice Stratton, B.S., M.A. (1948)	Grade 3

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**SCHOOL SECRETARIES**

Jean S Underhill, Secretary to the Principal	Reading Memorial High School
Anna G Freeman	Reading Memorial High School
Louise Davis	Reading Memorial High School
Elizabeth A. Brush	W. S. Parker Junior High School
Isabelle H. Hull	Pearl Street School
Clarice D. Hynes	Highland School
Evelyn Lazenby	Health Office
Dorothy L. Wardrope	Joshua Eaton School

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**NO SCHOOL SIGNALS**

Radio announcement, when possible, over WNAC, WEEI, WBZ, and WLAW between 7:00 and 7:45 a .m. Fire alarm 2-2, repeated three times, at 7:15 a. m. for the High School; 7:30 a. m. for the Junior High, and 7:45 a. m., for elementary schools.

## CAFETERIAS

Lois M. Connor, Supervisor

Obeline Arsenault	High School
Mary Bacigalupo	Birch Meadow School
Elizabeth Bates	High School
Helen Beaman	High School
Jean Brown	Birch Meadow School
Elsiemae Collins, Manager	W. S. Parker Jr. High School
Evelyn Davis, Manager	Birch Meadow School
Genevieve Demenkow	W. S. Parker Jr. High School
Beulah E. Ellis	High School
Edith French, Manager	Joshua Eaton School
Florence Harvey	Birch Meadow School
Ida H. Johnson	High School
Mae C. Kimball	High School
Nellie Laetsch, Manager	Pearl St. School
Alice MacMillan	Joshua Eaton School
Flora MacPhail	W. S. Parker Jr. High School
Elizabeth Miller	Joshua Eaton School
Evelyn Mullen, Manager	High School
Eva Noble	W. S. Parker Jr. High School
Anna Roscoe	Joshua Eaton School

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## CUSTODIANS and MATRONS

Roderick E. Macdonald, Supervisor

Roy Brogan, Head Custodian	Pearl St. School
William J. Broussard	High School
Margaret Campbell, Matron	W. S. Parker Jr. High School
Fred B. Gibson	W. S. Parker Jr. High School
Henry Gromyko	Joshua Eaton School
Edward F. Harrison, Head Custodian	Birch Meadow School
Ronan J. Laskey	Birch Meadow School
Andrew J. Lomax	W. S. Parker Jr. High School
Frank MacMillan	All Schools — General Maintenance
Theresa Meuse, Matron	High School
Catherine Miller, Matron	High School
John Miller	Highland School
Frank Mitchell	Joshua Eaton School
Stuart R. Nichols	High School
Joseph Petroni	Pearl St. School
Fred Riessle, Head Custodian	W. S. Parker Jr. High School
Vincent Serrentino	Prospect St. School — (Part Time)
Reginald J. Southard, Night Watchman and Custodian	High School
Margaret A. Thornton, Matron	Highland School
Robert A Vars, Head Custodian	Joshua Eaton School
Daniel J. White, Night Watchman and Custodian	High School
Elmer E. Young, Head Custodian	High School

# READING HIGH SCHOOL COMMENCEMENT EXERCISES

100th Anniversary

Class of 1957

June 12, 1957

PROCESSIONAL MARCH

High School Band

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG

Led by Class President, Richard Vincent DeLong

STAR SPANGLED BANNER

Key-Smith

Audience, Senior Class, and Band

PRAYER

Monsignor William F. Reilly

SALUTATORY

"Progress: In Which Direction"

Earton Charles Robertson

TORCH ORATION

Richard Vincent DeLong

ESSAY—"Rural Quietude Amid Social Progress"

Diane Irma DiBerto, Class Honors

ESSAY—"Educational Adjustments and Rude Awakenings"

Ruthann Sullivan, Faculty Honors

ESSAY—"Meeting The Challenge"

Wayne Alan Sanborn, Faculty Honors

ESSAY—"World Tensions and Problems of Leadership"

Joseph Thomas Chess, Class Honors

SPECIAL ESSAY—"Once Upon A Time . . ."

Karl-Dieter Buenting, Exchange Student from Germany

VALEDICTORY

"The Challenge of Education"

George Herbert Drury

CONFERRING SCHOLASTIC HONORS

Rudolf Sussmann, Headmaster

CONFERRING DIPLOMAS

Paul R. Bergholtz, Member School Board

BENEDICTION

Monsignor William F. Reilly

RECESSIONAL MARCH

High School Band

## CANDIDATES FOR DIPLOMAS

Sandra Lee Abell  
 Donald Paul Aiesi  
 Gloria Jean Akerley  
 Dixon Estes Allen  
 Gordon Robert Anderson  
 George Douglas Archibald  
 Sylvia Ann Armstrong  
 Edith Dorothy Barnes  
 Herbert Eames Batchelder  
 Janien Evelyn Benson  
 Charles Joseph Bent  
 Elaine Joan Bent  
 Peter Bergholtz  
 Marilyn Hilda Berninger  
 Glenn Joseph Bigelow  
 Anne Marie Bloom  
 Henry Edward Bolton  
 Harry Lester Bowen II  
 Lois Florence Boyd  
 Kelly Charles Brown, Jr.  
 Robert Gerald Brown  
 Karl-Dieter Buenting  
 Richard Welton Burgess  
 Andrea Burhoe  
 Carol Ann Byrne  
 Patricia Ann Cain  
 Marcia I. Call  
 William Anthony Carter  
 June E. Castine  
 Joseph Thomas Chess  
 Mary Ellen Chisholm  
 Charles O. Christenson, Jr.  
 James Phillip Colbert  
 Jeffrey Lee Collett  
 Patricia Ann Comstock  
 Robert Vincent Condon  
 William Austin Connors  
 John James Conway  
 Robert H. Cook  
 Joanne Cosenza

Brenda Crovo  
 Paul W. Cryts  
 Betsy David  
 Richard Arthur Davidson  
 Robert E. Davis  
 Donna Mae DeGroot  
 Richard Vincent DeLong  
 Richard Allen Derry  
 Diane Irma DiBerto  
 Joan Marie Dicey  
 Marilyn F. Dodge  
 Pauline Catherine Doherty  
 Edward Lee Donley  
 Janice Frances Doucette  
 George Herbert Drury  
 Caroline Claire Dube  
 Robert Leslie Ducker  
 Rolinda Durgin  
 Kenneth James Dykeman  
 Donald Norman Eisenhaur  
 Marcia Ruth Elden  
 W. Jean Eldredge  
 Barbara Ruth Ellis  
 Gail Donley Emerson  
 Robert Edward Emerson  
 Shirley Mae Finethy  
 Sandra Ruth Fiske  
 Jean Flodin  
 Jane Wright Fowler  
 William Walter Freeman  
 Lois Marion French  
 Louise Mae Frongillo  
 Edward Henry Fuller  
 Francis James Galvin  
 Elaine Elizabeth Gaw  
 William Thomas Gerrior  
 Carol Ann Gilbert  
 Jill Goldsmith  
 Lafayette Arthur Gosselin, Jr.  
 Norman J. Grue



Nancy Jean Grundy  
Gayle L. Hall  
Marjorie Ann Harris  
Ralph W. Hayes  
Ralph Spencer Henderson  
Edward James Hickman  
Margaret Josephine Hill  
Robert Theodore Hoeckel, Jr.  
Robert William Holmes  
Lorraine J. Horn  
Janet V. Hosker  
Willard Hunt  
Ernest Laurence Hutchinson  
Joyce Marie Jellison  
Anne Jenkins  
Marcia L. Johnson  
Sandra Elizabeth Johnson  
Jacquelyn Lauramae Jones  
Norman Bruce Kay  
Robert Albrecht Kelleter  
Frederick Martin Keppe  
Janice Ann Kimball  
Everett Whittemore King  
Barbara Louise Kinnie  
Barbara Lea Kitch  
Jane Roslyn Land  
Mary Louise Langevin  
Nancy Carolyn Larson  
Anthony Laschi  
Walter Philip Lawrence  
Lucinda Emily Leary  
Brenda Jane Lehmann  
Mary Jane Leslie  
Janet Ann Lincoln  
Kenneth John Livingston  
Heather Muriel Livingstone  
James Andrew Lomax  
Joseph William Long  
Ronald Arthur Lucia  
Janet Ruth Lundberg  
Daniel Alfred Lyon  
Norman Allen MacKay

Carol Ann MacKeil  
David Weston Mader  
Barbara F. Mahoney  
Carol Ann Mangold  
Cecile A. Martel  
Marguerite Marie Martin  
Allen Richmond Maxwell, Jr.  
Allen Russ Maxwell  
Rosalynd Frances McCullough  
William Francis McGilvrey  
Roberta A. McGrath  
Ann Marie McManus  
Ernest H. McQuesten, Jr.  
Yolande Marguerite Moe  
Joyce Elaine Moore  
Sandra Jean Moore  
Gail Morand  
Judith Carol Morse  
Yvonne Muise  
Richard Arthur Mullin  
John Phillip Mumley  
Helen Louise Munn  
Ruth Carol Munroe  
Lewis W. Newhouse, Jr.  
Curt Nitzsche  
Russell John Norton  
Janice Elaine Noseworthy  
William G. Nurmi  
Carl Frederick O'Brien  
Carol Elaine Oldenbrook  
Sandra Marie Oliver  
Philip Gary Orth  
Roy Byron Parker  
Richard Penno  
Paula Marie Perry  
Marie Ann Peters  
Carol Ann Powers  
Robert Francis Powers  
Judith Arlene Pulson  
Roger Carlyle Quimby  
Edward K. Regan  
Frances Marie Regan

Virginia Arlene Richards  
David Alan Riley  
Richard D. Roberts  
Earton Charles Robertson  
Janet Ann Rock  
Diana Jean Rodgers  
Calder Martin Rooney  
Martha Lucia Russell  
Arlene Sanborn  
Wayne Alan Sanborn  
John Paul Sargent  
Beverly Jane Savage  
Joyce Joan Schofield  
Susan Donna Searle  
Robert Alexander Sebeika  
Carolyn Noel Sharp  
David Louis Sheldon  
Donald Francis Sillars  
Nancy Carol Skinner  
Ralph Fairfield Smith, III  
Patricia Ann Stanton  
Paula Ann Stephens  
Lorraine Grace Stephenson  
Roger Irving Stewart  
Spencer Boyd Stewart  
Ruthann Sullivan  
George Francis Swenson

Edward Jefferson Taylor, Jr.  
Gordon Willis Tibbetts  
William Edwin Tilley  
Joseph Paul Tower  
Josephine Martha Turilli  
Richard Clifton Turner  
Judith M. Van Horn  
Ruth Janet Vars  
Barbara Hope Wakefield  
Patricia Ann Walsh  
Brenda L. Watkins  
Susan Annette Weadick  
Edward Roger Wendell  
David Francis Westcott  
Barbara Ann Wheeler  
William Gerard Whiles  
Gladys Marie White  
Marjory L. White  
Robert Brian White  
Cornelia Drusilla Whitten  
Judith Elaine Wilkinson  
Mavis Elaine Williams  
Colette Gertrude Wilson  
Susan Eve Worthen  
Stephen Michael Zeoli  
William C. Zimmer

**ANNUAL REPORT**

**of**

**THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

**of**

**The Town of Reading, Massachusetts**

**for the year ended**

**December 31, 1957**

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

To the Citizens of Reading:

The Board of Public Works herewith submits its annual report for the year ending December 31, 1957.

On March 11, 1957, the Board organized with Kenneth R. Johnson as Chairman and Coleman J. Donahue as Secretary. James T. Putnam was re-appointed Superintendent. On November 4, 1957, Kenneth R. Johnson resigned the Chairmanship because of business reasons. The Board accepted Mr. Johnson's resignation with extreme regret, and commended him for his outstanding accomplishments as Chairman since March, 1956. Coleman J. Donahue was elected Chairman, Board of Public Works on November 4, 1957.

Regular Board meetings have been held in the Municipal Building on Monday evening each week throughout the year; a number of special meetings have been held when the Board deemed it necessary to the furtherance of the work of the several departments under the jurisdiction of the Board of Public Works.

Acting as the Board of Survey, 14 advertised Public Hearings were held on street layouts and property subdivisions, and 46 plans were approved for recording in the Registry of Deeds under the Subdivision Control Law.

During the year, the following members of the Board of Public Works were appointed to, or served on, Special Study Committees:

Sewer Study Committee .....	Coleman J. Donahue
Parking Area Study Committee .....	Coleman J. Donahue
Incinerator Study Committee .....	Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.
Park Dept. Study Committee .....	Harold D. Kilgore, Jr.
Recreation Committee .....	Domenick Zanni, Jr.
Elementary School Building Committee .....	Kenneth R. Johnson
Junior High School Building Committee .....	Walter S. Hopkins, Jr.

Several joint meetings were held with other Town Boards to protect the interests of the Town regarding access roads, water mains to Industrial and Business C areas, zoning ordinances, and other matters of major import.

Many construction projects were successfully completed during the year, including street construction, sidewalk construction, storm drain installation, sanitary sewer installation, both main trunk and house connections, park and playground reconstruction and several other phases of Public Works activities. Reference is made to the report of the Superintendent for more specific details of the 1957 construction and maintenance work.

The Report of the Sewer Study Committee 1957 stated "That the order of installation (of sanitary sewers) should be determined by the Board of Public Works on a basis of achieving the greatest good for the greatest number (of residents) per dollar spent", also, "That the Board of Public Works should prepare and maintain a tentative five-year pro-

gram of sewer extension and that this program, as revised, should be a part of the Board's annual report to the Town".

In full accord with the preceding recommendations, the Board of Public Works in the report of the Superintendent included herein, presents a Tentative Five-Year Sewer Construction Program as prepared on March 20, 1957, for the years 1957-1961 inclusive. It must be fluid, as emergencies arise from time to time. It is also known from past experience that as main trunk sewers are extended, many sewer extension petitions will be received from residents of abutting streets. It is anticipated that this program will be revised frequently.

Consulting Engineers have been retained to make an engineering study of some twenty-five miles of streets outside the limit of gravity flow area, which study is currently being made. It must be pointed out that only by means of substantial annual appropriations can the proposed five-year projection of sewer construction be carried out to a successful completion.

The most important and urgent problem confronting the Board in 1957 was the municipal water emergency engendered by the unprecedented and record-breaking drouth experienced by all of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in general, and Eastern Middlesex County in particular, starting in April, 1957, and continuing until November, 1957. Precipitation records dating back to the year 1900 in Reading were broken, with a deficiency of rainfall totaling 15.41 inches for the year. Average rainfall in Reading is 41.07 inches annually — the rainfall in 1957 totaled 25.66 inches.

Early in April, 1957, it became apparent that the collection, pumping, distribution and storage facilities of the Water Department were being severely overtaxed due to the abnormal usage of water on lawns, and on May 10, 1957, the Board issued warnings to the citizens that water must be conserved, or more drastic restrictions would be imposed on water usage. Despite the cooperation of many citizens, water usage continued at an abnormal rate.

On June 17, 1957, it was necessary to impose water restrictions for all non-essential use, such as for watering lawns, gardens, washing automobiles, filling wading and swimming pools.

On June 29, 1957, non-essential water usage restrictions were relaxed by permitting residential water users to use hoses on alternate evenings from 7:00 P. M. to 10:00 P. M.; and commercial water users to use hoses on alternate mornings from 6:00 A. M. to 10:00 A. M., with no non-essential water usage on Mondays, the day of peak demand.

The drouth continued, ground water elevations continued to decline steadily, and on August 20, 1957, after a full report from the Superintendent of the seriousness of the ground water situation at Hundred Acres Well Field, full non-essential water usage restrictions were again invoked, prohibiting all outside non-essential use of water.

These restrictions remained in effect until November 15, 1957, at which time the well field had recharged to a safe level, and all restrictions on water usage were withdrawn.

Consulting Engineers were retained to make a study of the Water System. It was originally proposed to secure the funds for this study



in the form of a loan from the Federal Government, but due to the time delay anticipated in securing the funds, the Board of Public Works formally requested, and the Finance Committee officially granted, a transfer of Four Thousand (\$4,000.00) Dollars from the Reserve Fund for the purpose of conducting a Water Adequacy Study for the Town of Reading. Also, on advice of the Town Counsel, it was agreed that sums estimated at Ten Thousand (\$10,000.00) Dollars, available in the Water Construction Appropriation due to lack of anticipated house building in Reading during 1957, could legally be used for driving test wells, conducting pumping tests on same, and developing an additional gravel-walled well.

A contract was then immediately made, after bids were taken, for said test well, pumping tests and gravel-wall well development. Under the direction of consulting engineers retained by the Board, a carefully planned program of test well driving was immediately started, and a total of twenty-six (26) 2½" diameter test wells were driven at selected locations. Of the 26 test wells driven, at least five future well-sites have been found which show promise of substantial yield. Two of these sites have been pumped for several days to determine the safe yield and maximum drawdown. The report of the consulting Engineers shows the results of their Water Adequacy Study and their recommendations for development of an additional water supply for the Town of Reading. This report will be made available prior to the March 1958 Annual Town Meeting.

The long-awaited report of the survey of possible water resources being conducted by the Waterways Division of the State Department of Public Works, started in 1955, has not yet been received, and no date has been set for its completion by the Waterways Division.

School, industrial and business construction continued to increase the work load on Public Works during 1957. Construction of the Birch Meadow Elementary School made it necessary to construct Birch Meadow Drive from Oakland Road to John Carver Road; construct a bituminous concrete sidewalk on Forest Street, Southerly side, from Main Street to Grove Street; widen the traveled way portion of Forest Street from Main Street to Grove Street. Industrial construction by Trancoa Chemical Corporation off Ash Street resulted in the installation of an eight-inch water main to the chemical plant. Work at the Business C area consisted of widening a portion of South Street; installing a twelve-inch water main from Hopkins Street to Englund (Private) Road; constructing Jacob Way, an access road, from South Street to the Addison-Wesley Publishing Company.

Again it is our privilege to thank the Boards and Committees of the other Town departments, and the general public, for the very much appreciated spirit of cooperation that was evidenced through the year.

The Board also wishes to extend its thanks to the employees of the Public Works Department for their continued loyalty and cooperation. Many of these employees have, in cases of emergency, worked for long hours under trying conditions and the Board feels that they are deserving of the thanks of the Townspeople.

Reference is made to the report of the Superintendent, which follows, for a more detailed account of the activities of the various divisions which comprise the Departments supervised by the Board of Public Works.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH R. JOHNSON  
WALTER S. HOPKINS, JR.

COLEMAN J. DONAHUE, Chairman  
HAROLD D. KILGORE, JR.  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.

Board of Public Works

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## SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the Board of Public Works:  
Gentlemen:

As required by Section 4, Chapter 118, of an Act authorizing the Town of Reading to establish a Board of Public Works, I respectfully submit for your consideration the thirty-seventh annual report of the Department of Public Works (Water, Highway, Sewer, Parks, Dumps, Engineering) and a chronicle of the principal work performed during the year 1957, with recommendations for the coming year.

### General

A marked decrease in housing developments during 1957 and resulting lessened demand for extension of public utilities to service housing developments was offset, in the year's work-load, by an increase in sewer construction and sewer house connection appropriation, the extended record-breaking drouth, access road construction, street construction under the Betterment Act, water main installation to Industrial and Business C areas, and maintenance work engendered by the accelerated utilities construction program. Reference is made to the statistical data included in this report for a detailed account of construction and maintenance projects completed in 1957, by the several Divisions comprising the Department of Public Works. Weather conditions were ideal during the greater part of 1957 for construction work, with no snow-fall whatsoever occurring in the Fall of 1957.

### Water Division

Although housing developments in 1957 were well below the 1956 record high, a total of 4062.40 lineal feet of cement lined cast iron water main in sizes ranging from 6 inch to 8 inch were installed at 10 locations, and 9 fire hydrants were set, all at the expense of the petitioners. These main extensions will eventually service 75 dwelling houses.

During the record-breaking drouth, a number of privately owned water-wells went dry, and the home-owners petitioned for water mains under the Water Betterment Ace. These mains were immediately installed and water service connections made to several homes.

An important water main extension was the installation of a 12 inch cement lined cast iron water main in Main Street, from Hopkins Street to South Street; in South Street from Main Street to Jacob Way;

and in Jacob Way from South Street to Englund (Private) Road, totaling 1303.50 lineal feet. This 12" main not only services the Business C zone area, but strengthens the entire distribution grid in the Southerly section of Reading, having been interconnected with all existing mains en route. On Ash Street, a new 8" cement lined cast iron water main, 781 feet in length, was laid from Ash Street to the Trancoa Chemical Corporation plant in the Industrial zoned area. Both of these main extensions were voted at the March 1957 Town Meeting, and special appropriations were voted therefor.

Prior to the Chapter 90 Construction of West Street, a 12 inch cement lined cast iron water main was installed from Arcadia Avenue to Willow Street, totaling 419.40 lineal feet. Also on West Street, prior to road construction, a water main connection was made at Fremont Street, to eliminate a dead-end and improve the circulation grid. A dead-end main was also eliminated on Sturges Road, prior to betterment street construction. A total of 8332.40 lineal feet of water mains and 14 fire hydrants were installed in 1957, all by Water Division employees.

Continuing the policy of replacing 1½ inch mains, 8 inch water mains were installed on Pearl Street, Irving Street, and Hanscom Avenue at Tower Road.

Many 1½ inch water mains are still in service in the distribution system, and are the cause of numerous complaints of inadequate water volume from the residents of houses serviced therefrom. These mains are being replaced as rapidly as funds permit.

Construction of storm drain culverts at lowered elevations on the Birch Meadow Drainage system (Aberjona River) at Lowell Street and the intersection of West Street, Willow Street and Summer Avenue, necessitated the adjusting of a 12 inch and an 8 inch main on Lowell Street, a 12 inch main on Willow Street, and 6 inch mains on Summer Avenue and West Street. Due to the lack of sufficient earth cover over the culverts, all mains, with one exception, were re-laid with bends and offsets to cross under the culverts. The Lowell Street 12 inch main was passed through the roof slab of a reinforced concrete box culvert, within a protective insulating sleeve.

Construction on New Route 28, resulted in several water main maintenance projects. On Walnut Street, southerly of South Street, 275 lineal feet of 6 inch main was salvaged due to the abandonment of the road way. Where the New Route 28 crosses South Street, the existing 6 inch main was abandoned, and a new 12 inch cement lined cast iron main, 550 feet in length, was installed under the new roadway, to provide a water main of adequate size and at a proper depth for immediate and future use. On West Street at the New Route 28 crossing, because of grade changes, it was necessary to re-lay 645 lineal feet of 6 inch water main. In 1958, a major relocation of Lowell Street water main will be necessitated by the construction of the new Boston and Maine Railroad bridge and the elimination of the present bridge.

New water services in sizes from 1" to 4" were installed at 154 locations, totaling 9330.70 lineal feet. All water mains, fire hydrants, and water services were installed by Water Division personnel. Existing

water services were completely renewed at 84 locations on application of property owners, and many other services were rodded and reamed to improve volume of water delivered to consumers.

New water meters were installed in 313 locations, and 405 existing water meters were removed, repaired, tested and reset, or, if found obsolete, replaced with new meters. Nine obsolete water meters were junked.

### **Pumping Stations**

The record breaking drouth of 1957 severely over-taxed the pumping facilities at Hundred Acres Pumping Station. Despite rigid non-essential water usage, restrictions which were in effect from June 12 to June 29, 1957, and from August 20 to November 15, 1957, a new pumping record was made, with a total of 471,102,600 gallons of water delivered to the distribution system by Water Pumping Stations Nos. 1, 2 and 3 at Hundred Acres Meadows, an increase of 40,887,700 gallons over 1956 total pumpage, the previous high. The daily average pumped in 1957 was 1,290,692 gallons, or an estimated 74.12 gallons per capita daily. Highest single day's pumpage was on Monday, June 17, 1957, with 1,918,800 gallons, and the highest seven-days' pumpage from June 12 through June 18 with a total of 12,892,200 gallons.

In August, ground water elevations had dropped to a point where air was being pumped from gravel-walled wells Nos. 2 and 3, making it necessary to operate the pumping stations at these locations at a very limited capacity, for several weeks. Observation wells were driven adjacent to each of these gravel-walled wells, to enable a true check to be made on ground water elevations. In October, gravel-wall well No. 3 was cleaned with chemicals, and its yield was materially increased. This cleaning removed iron hydrate deposits from the gravel walls and the metal well-screen, and permitted freer entrance of ground water.

Mechanical failures at the pumping stations were negligible during the year, being limited to power failures, minor motor and pump failures, and similar occurrences. Twice during the period of low ground water elevations, power failures caused the low-lift well pumps to cease operation, and the prime was lost in all pumps, suction lines and wells, resulting in many hours work to resume pumping operations.

In November 1957, two fluoridating units were installed, one in Pumping Station No. 1, and one in Pumping Station No. 2, which also services Station No. 3. These units introduce crystalline sodium fluoride by the slurry method at the rate recommended by the State Department of Public Health of one part per million, or an average of twenty-two pounds of crystals per million gallons of water pumped. Checking or sampling stations have been established at eight widely separated locations, and periodic inspections are made of the amount of fluoride in this water delivered to consumers. At the request of citizens, an unfluoridated water tap has been made available to the public at Pumping Station No. 1, accessible at all times, and protected from freezing during the winter months.



## **Deferrization Plant**

The Deferrization Plant operated at maximum capacity and efficiency during the year. The gravel-wall well on Suction Line B was put in service in June to relieve excessive demand at the 2½" driven wells, and, because of the high iron content of this particular well, it was necessary to clean the sand filters frequently during the year. In all, No. 1 Sand Filter was raked 11 times and scraped 11 times; No. 2 Sand Filter was raked 11 times and scraped 11 times. Needed repairs were not made to the aerator wall caps, as the aerators could not be taken from service at any time during the work season to effect the repairs.

## **Well Field**

Hundred Acres Well Field yielded 471.103 million gallons of water in 1957, a year which recorded an all-time record of sustained drouth. Ground water elevations, determined by daily test well readings, dropped to a record low of 19 feet 5 inches below ground level on October 20, and after the rains of November and December rose to an elevation of 4 feet 10 inches below ground level on January 1, 1958. The Ipswich River, which flows through the Northerly perimeter of the well field, ceased to flow from July through early November.

The 2½" tubular wells were cleaned and pumped early in the Spring of 1957, and again during the early Fall. Several shallow wells were shut off from the collection system as ground water elevations dropped below the inlet perforations in the wells. A systematic inspection was made of all tubular wells, gate valves, and suction mains, and necessary repairs were accomplished.

Several temporary roadways were cleared, bulldozed and gravel-filled to permit the Consulting Engineers conducting the 1957 Water Adequacy Study to drive test wells and conduct pumping tests in hitherto untested sectors of Hundred Acres. As a result of the testing, several locations have been discovered which seem capable of development as gravel-walled wells, each being fifty or more feet in depth with good yield. Roadways also were made at other locations removed from Hundred Acres, on private property, test wells driven, and sustained pumping tests made.

## **General**

During the early summer months, it was necessary to again supply a number of residences situated on high elevations by means of Fire Department and Civil Defense pumpers. Small distribution mains, loss by friction, and water usage by consumers at lower elevations were responsible for this condition.

It is anticipated that, with the development of a new source of water supply and further development of Hundred Acres well field, the installation of distribution mains of adequate size, and other improvements recommended by the consulting engineers, it will, in the near future, be possible to supply the consumers with all the water they require and demand.

The various statistical tables appended hereto give additional data regarding the Water Division.



## STATISTICS FOR YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1957

### READING WATER DEPARTMENT

Reading, Middlesex County, Massachusetts

#### General Statistics

Population 1957 Estimated — 17,414.  
Date of Construction of Pumping Stations — 1931, 1953.  
By whom owned: Town of Reading.  
Source of supply: artesian wells, gravel-packed wells.  
Mode of supply: pumping.

#### Pumping Statistics

Builders of pumping machinery: DeLaval Steam Turbine Co., A. D. Miller, Inc.

#### Pumps at Hundred Acres Stations

##### Pumping Station No. 1

(A) — Pumping unit No. 1 — Electric two-stage 5/4 DeLaval 75 H.P., 1750 R.P.M., 3 phase, 60 cycle, 440 volt. 900 G.P.M.

(B) — Pumping unit No. 2 — Electric two-stage 8/6 DeLaval 125 H.P., 1750 R.P.M., 3 phase 60 cycle, 440 volt. 1200 G.P.M.

##### Auxiliary Station No. 2

Pumping unit — Cook Rotation Electric 50 H.P., 1800 R.P.M., 3 phase, 60 cycle, 440 volt. 850 G.P.M.

Emergency drive — 4 cylinder Twin Disc Continental gasoline engine.

##### Auxiliary Station No. 3

Pumping unit — Cook Rotation Electric 20 H.P., 1800 R.P.M., 3 phase, 60 cycle, 440 volt. 550 G.P.M.

Emergency drive — 4 cylinder Twin Disc Continental gasoline engine.

K.W.H. electric power used for year — 735,000.

Total Pumpage (Venturi, Builders' Flo-watch meters — 471,102,600 gals.

Average number of gallons per K.W.H. — 652.42.

Average static head against which pumps worked — 228.

Average dynamic head against which pumps worked — 258.

Cost of pumping (per million gallons) power only — \$27.40.

Cost of pumping (per million gallons) based on total pumping station expenses — \$38.98.

Cost of filtration (per million gallons) based on cost of plant operation — \$2.85.

Cost of water supply (per million gallons pumped) figured on cost of maintenance, plus interest on bonds — \$242.96.

Kinds and sizes of pipes: Cast Iron, Galvanized Iron, Lead-Line  
2¼" to 12".

Main Extensions 1957 — 1¼" .....	60.00 Ft.
2 " .....	152.50 Ft.
6 " .....	2288.30 Ft.
8 " .....	4240.10 Ft.
12 " .....	1581.50 Ft.

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Total .....	8322.40 Ft.
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Total Length of Pipe now in use — 71.967 miles.

No. of Hydrants added during year — 14.

No. of Hydrants Public and Private now in use — 463.

No. stop gates added during year — 41.

No. stop gates now in use — 1160.

No. stop gates smaller than 4" — 170.

No. of Blow-offs added during year — 1.

No. of Blow-offs now in use — 34.

Range of water pressure — 45 to 90 pounds.

#### STATISTICS RELATING TO SUCTION MAINS AND WELLS — 1957

Kind of Pipe — Cast Iron.

Size of Pipe — 8", 10", 12", 16".

Total Length Pipe in use — 8" — 4608.00 Ft., 10" — 882.00 Ft. 12" — 1820.00 Ft., 16" — 116.00 Ft. Total — 7426.00 Ft.

Gates on suction and force mains now in use — 8" — 4. 10" — 1. 12" — 12. 16" — 1. Total — 18.

Wells on various line — Line A — 6, Line B — 18, — Line C — 11. Line D — 12, Line E — 16, Line F — 20, Line G — 8, Line H — 13, Line I — 9, Line J — 9, Line K — 8. Total — 131.

Gravel-packed wells at auxiliary pumping stations — 2.

#### STATISTICS RELATING TO SERVICES — 1957

Kinds of Pipe — Cast Iron, Cement Lined, Galvanized Iron, Copper Tubing.

Sizes — ¾" to 6".

Services extended in 1957 — 9330.70 feet.

No. of New Service Pipe Connections made in 1957 — 154.

No. of Services now in use — 4560.

Average length of services installed in 1957 — 60.59 feet.

No. of new water meters tested in 1957 — 313.

No. of old meters, cleaned, repaired and tested 1957 — 405.

No. of water meters junked — 9.

No. of water meters now in use — 5110.

# YEARLY RECORD OF HUNDRED ACRES PUMPING STATIONS

January 1, 1957 thru December 31, 1957

Month	No. Days	Pumped Hrs. Mins.	(Venturi Meters)			Total Pumpage	Power K.W.H.	Gals. per K.W.H.	Rainfall	Avg. Daily Gals. Pumped
			Station 1	Stations 2 & 3	Gallons Pumped					
January	31	495 15	23,050,200	14,014,800		37,065,000	60,400	613.66	1.83	1,195,645
February	28	585 00	27,236,200	8,364,000		35,600,200	54,100	658.04	1.22	1,271,436
March	31	628 30	30,408,800	7,889,700		38,298,500	53,700	713.19	2.32	1,235,435
April	30	622 30	29,188,300	7,422,800		36,611,100	48,300	757.99	3.10	1,220,370
May	31	738 15	29,699,000	12,569,700		42,268,700	59,200	717.00	2.49	1,363,506
June	30	733 30	28,641,100	15,781,800		44,422,900	73,000	608.00	.78	1,480,673
July	31	688 00	30,677,200	16,893,400		47,570,600	87,200	545.53	1.13	1,534,535
August	31	698 45	33,449,600	7,547,700		40,997,300	77,600	528.32	1.65	1,322,494
September	30	720 00	32,128,600	5,781,800		37,910,400	53,700	705.91	.52	1,263,680
October	31	736 15	30,460,500	8,760,700		39,221,200	64,200	610.92	2.14	1,265,200
November	30	718 00	28,903,000	6,681,900		35,584,900	52,400	679.10	3.08	1,186,163
December	31	744 00	31,913,300	3,638,500		35,551,800	51,200	694.37	5.40	1,146,832
Totals		8086 80	355,755,800	115,346,800		471,102,600	735,000	652.42	25.66	1,185,198

## HUNDRED ACRES PUMPING STATION

### COMPARATIVE TOTAL PUMPAGE OF WATER — FOR PAST 10 YEARS

Year	Total Pumpage (Gallons)	Increase or Decrease	Average Daily Pumpage	Increase or Decrease
1948 .....	288,389,200	20,352,400 (I )	787,948	60,535 (I )
1949 .....	324,296,900	35,907,700 (I )	888,466	100,518 (I )
1950 .....	328,962,800	4,665,900 (I )	901,265	12,799 (I )
1951 .....	324,343,400	4,619,400 (D)	888,584	12,681 (D)
1952 .....	352,404,400	28,061,000 (I )	962,854	74,270 (I )
1953 .....	405,580,000	53,175,600 (I )	1,111,178	148,324 (I )
1954 .....	374,804,000	30,776,000 (D)	1,026,860	84,318 (D)
1955 .....	412,582,400	37,778,400 (I )	1,130,363	103,503 (I )
1956 .....	430,214,900	17,632,500 (I )	1,175,451	45,088 (I )
1957 .....	471,102,600	40,887,700 (I )	1,185,198	9,747 (I )

# WATER MAIN EXTENSION — 1957

Street	Location	1 1/4"	2"	6"	8"	12"	Total Hyds.	Gates
Cherry Lane Dr.	Summer Ave., Westerly .....			400.00			400.00	1 2
Dividence Rd.	Emerson St., Westerly .....				382.50		382.50	2
Dustin Rd.	Dead End, Southerly .....	60.00					60.00	
Fremont St.	Dead End, Westerly .....				185.00		185.00	1
Grove St.	Strout Ave., Westerly .....			308.00			308.00	0 1
Hanscom Ave.	Tower Rd., Northerly .....				53.20		53.20	
Harvard St.	Tying in 2 dead ends .....			133.50			133.50	1 2
Irving St.	Wells Rd. to Pearl St. ....			305.40			305.40	2
Laurel Lane	Dead End, Westerly .....				157.20		157.20	1 2
Linnea Lane	Dead End to Pearl St. ....				520.80		520.80	1 2
Pearl St.	Main St., Northerly .....			1000.00			1000.00	2 4
Putnam Rd.	Dead End to Pearl St. ....				803.60		803.60	2 4
Scout Hill Lane	Shady Hill Lane, Easterly .....				272.10		272.10	1 2
Shady Hill Lane	Putnam Rd., Southwesterly .....				489.70		489.70	1 2
Timberneck Dr.	Dead End, Westerly .....				595.00		595.00	1 1
West St.	Arcadia Ave. to Summer Ave. ....			141.40		278.00	419.40	5
Winslow Rd.	Dead End, Westerly .....		152.50				152.50	1
Trancoa Chemical	Ash St. to Trancoa Bldg. ....				781.00		781.00	1 2
12" Main to Bus. C	Hopkins St. to Jacob Way .....					1303.50	1303.50	2 6
Totals .....		60.00	152.50	2288.30	4240.10	1581.50	8322.40	14 41



# AMOUNTS OF RAINFALL FOR YEARS 1900 THROUGH 1957 HUNDRED ACRES PUMPING STATION

Year	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Totals
1900	5.32	8.69	5.03	2.15	4.60	3.13	1.90	3.17	4.15	3.31	5.05	2.44	48.94
1901	1.33	1.08	5.88	9.59	7.21	1.74	4.65	2.66	3.59	2.76	3.06	8.10	51.65
1902	1.80	6.11	4.69	6.22	1.69	3.75	3.02	3.75	4.01	4.91	0.99	5.60	44.77
1903	3.84	3.16	6.38	4.95	0.48	8.91	3.40	3.42	2.29	3.69	1.33	2.59	44.44
1904	4.42	2.21	2.21	9.90	3.56	2.56	1.88	4.26	5.16	2.02	1.80	2.25	42.23
1905	5.44	1.47	2.92	2.59	1.39	6.11	1.19	3.30	7.87	1.20	2.22	3.72	39.42
1906	2.60	2.53	6.48	2.84	5.14	2.63	5.88	4.18	1.36	2.38	3.31	3.08	42.41
1907	3.97	2.10	2.40	3.21	2.89	3.80	3.58	1.33	7.90	3.36	3.80	3.80	44.97
1908	3.07	4.28	2.72	1.71	4.00	1.58	3.09	4.07	0.86	3.56	1.10	2.66	32.70
1909	4.17	5.33	3.57	3.95	1.97	2.14	3.59	2.75	3.74	1.23	4.06	3.60	40.10
1910	4.54	3.14	1.58	2.32	1.19	4.36	1.98	2.61	2.45	1.48	4.30	1.92	31.87
1911	2.25	2.94	3.12	1.89	0.67	3.43	4.79	3.80	2.94	2.91	4.14	3.57	36.45
1912	2.68	2.42	5.04	4.05	5.73	0.29	6.44	2.02	3.02	1.45	3.10	4.80	41.04
1913	2.48	2.64	4.51	3.76	3.45	0.93	1.68	3.48	3.66	7.56	2.13	3.24	39.52
1914	3.34	3.65	4.09	6.32	2.76	1.44	2.34	2.78	0.23	1.51	2.92	3.69	35.07
1915	5.52	3.54	0.00	2.72	1.68	4.60	8.76	6.66	0.70	2.80	2.93	5.47	45.38
1916	1.22	5.37	3.37	5.14	4.59	5.86	3.13	2.30	3.11	1.01	1.94	2.01	39.05
1917	2.92	2.41	4.18	2.90	4.00	4.78	1.19	3.70	1.46	5.75	1.39	2.65	37.33
1918	3.08	3.02	2.02	4.10	0.85	3.04	2.99	2.81	8.37	1.02	2.24	2.48	36.02
1919	3.24	3.61	4.01	2.46	5.44	0.88	3.22	3.83	6.20	1.53	6.20	1.53	42.70
1920	2.75	6.46	4.21	5.75	3.27	5.24	1.94	2.02	4.27	1.16	4.67	4.82	46.56
1921	2.09	3.43	2.43	5.48	1.86	4.02	9.79	1.96	1.74	1.57	6.50	2.28	43.15
1922	1.77	2.72	4.27	1.37	5.08	11.27	4.88	3.29	3.68	2.73	1.06	3.12	45.24
1923	6.95	1.67	2.60	5.17	1.56	2.79	1.98	3.17	0.82	3.63	4.13	4.83	39.30
1924	3.77	2.55	1.71	4.25	3.10	2.53	2.70	4.80	7.95	0.05	2.56	1.52	37.49
1925	4.28	2.14	7.66	2.95	2.05	5.62	3.13	2.37	2.16	4.66	3.94	5.53	46.49
1926	2.53	4.41	2.83	2.24	2.19	1.80	2.08	3.30	1.32	3.95	3.89	3.08	33.62
1927	2.32	3.18	1.30	1.43	2.19	2.27	3.04	5.28	2.68	4.10	4.18	4.77	36.74
1928	2.17	3.37	1.45	5.13	2.77	6.63	3.65	3.84	4.18	2.96	2.28	2.57	41.00
1929	3.14	3.76	3.49	6.81	3.50	1.21	1.19	4.53	2.41	2.49	2.87	3.63	39.03

1930	.....	2.48	2.05	3.29	1.90	3.38	2.19	4.07	2.77	0.79	4.45	3.68	2.20	33.25
1931	.....	3.27	2.72	4.94	3.07	3.53	6.47	3.76	4.11	1.97	2.43	1.26	3.72	41.25
1932	.....	3.92	1.90	4.83	2.01	1.17	1.81	2.04	5.09	7.24	7.26	5.25	1.29	43.81
1933	.....	2.27	3.46	7.22	6.51	2.70	1.27	1.47	4.41	9.97	3.50	0.96	3.47	47.21
1934	.....	3.17	3.29	5.13	3.09	2.52	4.00	1.35	1.73	6.43	3.89	2.03	2.70	39.23
1935	.....	6.13	3.23	1.06	4.72	1.44	6.21	2.67	1.98	4.03	0.58	4.36	0.90	37.31
1936	.....	6.60	3.09	7.23	3.01	2.05	2.73	1.75	1.67	4.15	1.59	1.37	8.24	46.30
1937	.....	4.50	1.80	3.21	4.61	3.13	3.45	0.97	3.91	3.04	4.48	5.18	4.89	43.17
1938	.....	4.08	2.07	2.11	3.12	3.51	7.18	11.42	2.19	8.33	2.93	1.86	2.85	51.65
1939	.....	2.08	3.48	4.00	4.47	2.02	2.71	0.73	3.13	2.45	4.66	0.77	2.92	33.48
1940	.....	2.22	4.34	3.68	4.65	3.52	2.41	2.58	0.80	4.59	1.05	6.67	2.73	39.24
1941	.....	3.16	1.88	2.51	1.87	2.24	2.69	3.66	3.05	0.58	2.13	2.38	4.08	29.65
1942	.....	4.25	2.98	7.20	2.02	3.34	3.19	5.08	1.82	2.18	2.99	4.72	5.61	45.38
1943	.....	3.09	1.03	3.57	2.60	5.54	2.09	4.79	1.35	0.67	5.84	4.45	1.02	36.04
1944	.....	2.63	2.26	4.22	3.84	0.83	5.32	2.56	2.83	7.22	2.65	6.03	3.18	43.57
1945	.....	2.60	4.40	1.79	2.85	4.26	5.90	3.07	1.19	2.62	7.77	6.41	45.95	38.32
1946	.....	3.91	3.06	1.57	2.74	5.26	3.39	1.90	8.64	2.37	0.37	1.02	4.09	39.91
1947	.....	3.10	1.03	3.69	4.91	3.27	2.58	5.83	1.44	3.33	0.44	6.24	3.09	38.73
1948	.....	4.33	2.11	1.25	2.63	5.38	4.63	4.83	1.08	1.00	3.08	5.41	1.41	34.39
1949	.....	3.47	3.28	3.28	4.25	3.37	0.84	1.78	5.05	4.28	1.93	3.03	1.86	36.98
1950	.....	4.41	3.12	1.35	1.95	1.38	1.38	1.91	4.19	1.56	3.27	6.31	3.53	47.11
1951	.....	3.33	3.79	4.76	1.87	4.74	3.47	4.72	2.11	1.77	5.15	6.84	4.56	42.44
1952	.....	4.64	3.71	3.67	4.45	5.14	1.50	0.93	8.85	1.83	1.32	2.27	4.14	48.23
1953	.....	6.72	2.96	7.57	5.43	4.81	1.09	2.31	0.64	1.46	5.52	5.91	3.81	54.45
1954	.....	2.34	2.53	3.13	3.93	10.97	1.46	2.16	5.88	9.92	1.61	5.27	5.25	48.58
1955	.....	0.63	3.69	4.17	3.18	1.86	3.29	1.17	12.45	2.29	8.95	5.88	1.02	44.14
1956	.....	7.80	4.59	6.27	4.13	1.33	1.57	1.93	1.35	3.29	3.06	4.09	4.73	25.66
1957	.....	1.83	1.22	2.32	3.10	2.49	.78	1.13	1.65	.52	2.14	3.08	5.40	41.03
Average ...	3.58	3.20	3.81	3.86	3.26	3.38	3.26	3.54	3.57	3.00	3.64	3.53	3.53	41.03

# RAINFALL AT HUNDRED ACRES PUMPING STATION

1957

Month	Normal Rainfall	1957 Rainfall	Excess or Deficiency 1957
January .....	3.52	1.83	1.69 D
February .....	3.15	1.22	1.93 D
March .....	3.74	2.32	1.42 D
April .....	3.80	3.10	.70 D
May .....	3.21	2.49	.72 D
June .....	3.32	.78	2.54 D
July .....	3.20	1.13	2.07 D
August .....	3.47	1.65	1.82 D
September .....	3.49	.52	2.97 D
October .....	3.00	2.14	.86 D
November .....	3.64	3.08	.56 D
December .....	3.53	5.40	1.87 I
Totals .....	41.07	25.66	15.41 D

## TABLE SHOWING DAILY AMOUNTS OF RAIN AND MELTED SNOW HUNDRED ACRES

1957

Day of Month	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
1	...	.14	.25	.13	...	...	...	...	...	.06	...	...
2	...	...	...	.31	...	.15	...	...	.02	...	...	...
3	...	.12	...	...	...	...	.04	...	...	...	...	...
4	...	...	...	.18	...	...	T	.66	.09	...	...	...
5	...	...	...	1.12	...	...	.07	...	...	...	...	...
6	.38	...	...	.30	...	...	...	...	...	.46	...	...
7	.35	...	.03	...	...	...	...	...	...	.28	...	.04
8	...	...	.75	.67	...	...	.02	...	...	.20	.52	.18
9	.01	.33	.05	.09	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.58
10	.51	...	...	...	.84	...	...	.07	.01	...	...	1.19
11	...	...	...	...	.41	...	...	.27	...	...	...	.80
12	.02	T	...	.09	.10	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
13	...	T	...	...	.12	...	...	...	.24	...	...	...
14	...	...	...	...	.16	...	...	...	...	...	.58	...
15	.01	.01	.56	...	.29	...	...	...	...	...	...	.01
16	.14	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.16	...	.01	.01
17	...	...	...	...	.05	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
18	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.20	.40	...
19	...	...	.10	...	.01	.49	...	...	...	.58	.25	.02
20	...	...	.30	...	.39	...	...	.07	...	.03	...	.80
21	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	T	...	...	...	...
22	.41	...	...	...	T	...	.01	.10	...	...	...	...
23	...	...	...	...	.01	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
24	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	.28	...	...
25	...	...	...	.11	...	...	.05	.44	...	...	...	...
26	...	.52	...	...	.11	.10	...	.02	...	...	...	.88
27	...	...	...	...	...	.01	.63	...	...	...	...	...
28	...	.10	...	.10	...	T	T	...	...	...	.16	.33
29	...	...	.10	...	...	.01	T	...	...	...	...	.02
30	...	...	.18	...	...	.02	.26	.02	...	.02	1.16	...
31	...	...	...	...	...	...	.05	...	...	.03	...	.54
Totals	1.83	1.22	2.32	3.10	2.49	.78	1.13	1.65	.52	2.14	3.08	5.40
Accum. Totals	1.83	3.05	5.37	8.47	10.96	11.74	12.87	14.52	15.04	17.18	20.26	25.66

# KINDS AND SIZES OF WATER METERS IN USE JANUARY 1, 1958

Make	5/8"	3/4"	1"	1 1/4"	1 1/2"	2"	3"	4"	6"	8"	Totals
Nash .....	1470		17	1	4	2					1494
Empire .....	1029						2				1031
Trident .....	1255	2	7		4	8	5		1		1282
Hersey .....	531	11	24	6	8	7	1	1		1	590
Gamon .....	368	2									370
Pittsburgh .....	149	13		2							164
Crown .....	38	2	1		3	7					51
Worthington .....	29					1	2		2		34
Lambert .....	43		2								45
Union .....	31		1				1		1		34
Federal .....	1										1
Thompson .....	4										4
Keystone .....	1			8							9
Gem .....							1				1
Totals .....	4949	30	52	17	19	25	12	1	4	1	5110

## Highway Division

Major improvements to the highway system in 1957 were as follows:

### Arthur B. Lord Drive:

Original construction. Started in February 1956 as access road to Birch Meadow Elementary School, this road was partially completed in 1956, then construction ceased pending erection of school. In August, 1957, the school contractor removed his construction shacks, materials and equipment from the roadway, enabling the Highway Division to grade the roadway, apply the finished street surface, install bituminous concrete sidewalks on the Westerly side, set granite corner curbings, and complete the roadway, with the exception of fine grading the Easterly embankment. This road is 824 feet in length.

### Birch Meadow Drive:

Original construction, voted at Adjourned Annual Town Meeting March 25, 1957, as access road to Birch Meadow Elementary School, from Oakland Road to John Carver Road, 2443 feet in length. This roadway followed the Northerly perimeter of Birch Meadow, intersected Arthur B. Lord Drive, and skirted Birch Meadow Ice Skating Area. Work consisted of removal of trees and brush, extensive storm drainage installation, including two crossings by means of large culverts of the Birch Meadow (Aberjona River), Brook, ordinary and gravel borrow, asphalt penetration and sealing of the sidewalk on the Southerly side. The roadway was opened for travel prior to the opening of the Birch Meadow Elementary School on September 23, 1957. The road is completed with the exception of completing sidewalk construction from Arthur B. Lord Drive to John Carver Road, loaming, seeding and fine grading of the roadside ramps, and general cleanup. Road construction was made difficult by the overburden of ledge rock, tree logs and debris spread over much of the area by the earlier rough-grading of Birch Meadow. Highway Division personnel accomplished all of the construction work described herein, with the exception of installing the bituminous concrete sidewalk surfacing.

### Jacob Way:

Original construction, voted at Special Town Meeting, November 19, 1956, as access road to the Business C zoned area from South Street near Main Street to land of the Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, 1116 feet in length. It had been anticipated that construction of this roadway could be started in January of 1957, and site clearance, removal of buildings located within the right-of-way, and roadway ledge removal continued during the Winter months. However, legal technicalities concerning land damages and abandonment of existing rights-of-way and easements delayed the start of actual physical construction until June 29, 1957, when an official entry was made. Work started on that date from Englund (Private) Road to



the Addison-Wesley property consisting of the removal of large trees, brush, boulders, roadway earth excavations, ordinary and gravel borrow placement, and grading of a 40 foot roadway, to afford immediate relief to the Business C area. The remainder of Jacob Way, which contained many cubic yards of roadway ledge, was then excavated, ledge rock drilled and blasted, two wooden buildings removed, and ordinary and gravel borrow placed. Completion of the roadway is scheduled for early Spring of 1958.

#### Chapter 718 Road Construction — Summer Avenue

Under the provision of Chapter 718, Acts of 1956, entitled "An Act Providing For An Accelerated Highway Program", the Town of Reading was allotted the sum of \$43,167.81 for the purpose of road construction. This sum was an outright grant, subsidized by the Federal Government, projects to be approved for construction by the State Department of Public Works.

The project approved for Reading is the reconstruction of Summer Avenue, from Main Street to Woburn Street, with a Class I Bituminous Concrete Type I-1 surface. A location survey was made, construction plans prepared and specifications drawn, but due to the magnitude of the project and the approach of winter, it was deemed expedient to postpone bidding the project until the early Spring of 1958. As is customary, all utilities in Summer Avenue will be renewed as required prior to construction, to insure against disruption of the street surface.

#### Forest Street Resurfacing:

Forest Street, from Main Street to Grove Street, a length of 5025 feet, was laid out by the County Commissioners in 1925, 40 feet in width. No sidewalks existed on the greater part of this street, and the paved surface, averaging sixteen feet in width, had been constructed to follow the lines of least resistance, avoiding ledge rock outcrops, large trees, retaining walls and other obstacles. Construction of Birch Meadow Elementary School off Forest Street on Arthur B. Lord Drive made it necessary to provide a sidewalk to protect the lives of elementary school children attending this school, and as a result, a complete relocation of the vehicular traveled way to a width of 24 feet was made, involving no land takings and contained within the original 1925 approved layout. Ledge rock was removed, several large trees removed, a number of stone retaining walls and fences were relocated, additional storm drains installed, and a mixed-in-place surface treatment applied. A much safer condition for both vehicular and pedestrian traffic resulted.

The following listed streets, all Private Ways, were accepted as Public Town Ways under the provisions of Chapter 84, Section 26, General Laws, which statute authorizes the assessment of betterments for road construction, at the Annual March 1957 Town Meeting, all on petition of the owners of property abutting said streets:

## STREETS ACCEPTED AS PUBLIC WAYS

Annual Town Meeting — March, 1957

Name of Street	Location — Boundaries	Length Feet
Catherine Ave.	West St. Easterly to Dead End	792'
Cottage Pk.	Selfridge Rd. to Catherine Ave.	204'
Gleason Rd.	South St. Northerly	634'
Harvard St.	Lowell St. to Essex (Priv.) St.	638'
Irving St.	Main St. to Pearl St.	560'
Juniper Cir.	Wakefield St. Northerly to Dead End	521'
Milton Rd.	Howard St. Northerly to Dead End	486'
Richards Rd.	Tamarack Rd. to Timberneck (Priv.) Dr.	1350'
Selfridge Rd.	West St. to Cottage Pk.	766'
Sturges Rd.	South St. Northerly — in its entirety	1640'
Susan Dr.	Franklin St. North-Westerly to Dead End	710'
Tamarack Rd.	Wakefield St. to Timberneck Dr.	1125'
Timberneck Dr.	Haverhill St. to Tamarack Rd.	716'
TOTAL Lin. Ft.		10,142

These streets were all constructed during 1957, six (6) by contract and Department forces, seven (7) entirely by Department labor and equipment. Of the thirteen (13) streets listed herein, six were streets bonded for construction by developers, four were streets approved by the Board of Survey prior to the adoption of the Subdivision Control Law, which authorizes full controls over developments, and three were streets requiring original construction in whole or in part. On all through streets subjected to extraordinary vehicular traffic, bituminous concrete sidewalks were constructed for safety of pedestrians. Roadway construction costs are borne 100% by the abutting property owners, sidewalk construction costs 50% by the abutters and 50% by the Town, according to statute.

### General Highway Maintenance

Road surfaces as a whole came through the winter season in fair condition, with the exception of streets where utility trenches had settled. With the emergency restrictions on water usage in effect during much of the 1957 construction season, it was not possible to permit the use of water in "puddling" construction trenches for proper compaction, and it is anticipated that abnormal settlement of these trenches will occur when rain and frost undermine the trench fill.

Early in the Spring of 1957, the mechanical street sweeper removed the accumulation of sand deposited on the streets through the Winter of 1956-1957 for snow and ice control, and a planned program of street resurfacing and/or surface sealing was carried out, and 51,773 gallons of road oil was used to surface-treat approximately 208,000 square yards of roadway surface. On streets where road surfaces had become deformed by utility excavations and other causes, a mixed-in-place surfacing program with road oils and stone cover, mixed and leveled with a road grader and then compacted with a road roller, was instituted. This

method of resurfacing requires no roadway excavation, and results in a one inch or more thickness of new material being added to the existing road surface, at a nominal cost. Mixed-in-place operations were completed in nine locations comprising 7230 square yards of roadway, using 28,903 gallons of road oils and 1469 tons of stone cover. In addition, a total of 1257 tons of cold patch and hot top were used to fill depressions, holes, and sunken trenches in roadways. Patching operations were above normal during 1957, and will continue at an abnormal rate because of utility excavations.

A permanent street resurfacing operation was completed on Washington Street, from Main Street to Village Street, with the application of 598 tons of Class I Bituminous Concrete Type I-1 over the existing street surface.

### **Chapter 90 Construction**

The accumulated Chapter 90 Construction appropriations for 1955, 1956, and 1957 were used in 1957 to finance construction of West Street, from Woburn Street to North of Longwood Road, including installation of a 72" storm drain culvert at the intersection of West Street, Willow Street and Summer Avenue to permit proper flowing of the Aberjona River.

This project was supervised by the State Department of Public Works, awarded on bid to a private contractor. Work accomplished in 1957 consisted of:

- Installation of the 72" culvert at Aberjona River
- Completion of all storm drain installations
- Roadway earth excavation, gravel borrow, roadway grading
- Stone surfacing and sealing of entire contract
- Setting granite curbing as required, including traffic islands

In 1958, a new contract will be awarded to surface West Street 1957 construction with Class I Bituminous Concrete Type I-1, and continue new construction from Longwood Road Northerly.

### **Chapter 90 Maintenance**

Chapter 90 Maintenance funds were expended on surface treatment of a section of Haverhill Street. With funds received from the State, County and Town, 8650 gallons of road oil and 443 tons of pea stone were used to complete 13,200 square yards of mixed-in-place surface treatment.

### **Alterations and Relocations**

Three relocations or alterations of existing street lines were voted at the Annual Town Meeting in March 1957, as follows:

- Northwest corner of Main Street and South Street
- Southerly side line of South Street from Jacob Way Westerly
- Westerly side line of Pearl Street, at junction of Putnam Road

Two of these relocations are in process of completion, the third was delayed pending authorization from the State Department of Public Works for State Highway opening permits. Each relocation when completed, will relieve potentially hazardous situations and permit safer passage of vehicular traffic.

### **Sidewalk Construction and Maintenance**

Continuing the policy of the Board of Public Works of constructing hard surfaced sidewalks only on the continuous run or "block plan" system, Bituminous Concrete sidewalks under the Betterment Act were constructed in 1957 as follows:

Oak Street, Southerly Side 779 lineal feet, 389 square yards

Forest Street, Southerly Side 5025 lineal feet, 2512 square yards

The Forest Street sidewalk was nearly all original construction, through very rough and rocky terrain. Highway Department personnel and equipment removed trees, drilled and blasted ledge rock, excavated embankments, gravel-filled low areas, removed and rebuilt stone retaining walls, set back fences to street line, and prepared the gravel sidewalk base. The bituminous concrete surface was installed by contract. Forest Street sidewalk was the longest continuous run installation installed in recent years, and was a major construction project, made necessary by the opening of the 600 pupil Birch Meadow Elementary School.

Sidewalk maintenance was continued during the year as funds permitted, including application of gravel and stone dust to earth sidewalks, replacement of existing cement concrete and bituminous concrete sidewalks, which had become disrupted by tree roots, frost heaves and traffic. New gravel sidewalks were roughed out and fine graded abutting newly erected dwelling houses.

### **Storm Water Drains**

Storm water drains were installed in ten locations, totaling 3294.48 lineal feet of drain pipe of suitable sizes; 34 catch basins and 23 man-holes were constructed. A contractor installed the major portion of this work; the remainder was done by Departmental forces. Several particularly poorly drained areas were serviced by these drains, and should result in complete relief to the areas serviced.

A serious "bottleneck" in the Birch Meadow Brook or Aberjona River drainage system was eliminated by the construction of a 6'x4' reinforced concrete box culvert under Lowell Street, by contract. This project was started early in the Spring of 1957, and had been partially completed when the cement strike was called. By assiduous efforts, ready-mixed concrete was obtained, and the culvert completed on schedule. In conjunction with this new culvert construction, it was necessary to build several cubic yards of new granite wing walls.

As part of a long-range drainage program, an open drain ditch similar in design to the Quannapowitt Drain was constructed through Timberneck Swamp from Salem Street to Charles Street. This ditch, with a channel invert width of four feet, averages five feet in depth, with side banks on a  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 1 slope ratio, and is 4,917 feet in total length. In 1958, it will be extended from Charles Street to Pearl Street at Baker Road, and will permit run-off of surface water from a large area. During the heavy rains of late 1957 the drain ditch functioned perfectly, and afforded noted relief to adjacent properties. This ditch is a tributary of the Quannapowitt Drainage System. Departmental personnel accomplished site clearance on the heavily timbered 30 foot wide drain easement, and a hired drag-line excavated the ditch proper.



## Highway Department

### STORM WATER DRAINAGE CONSTRUCTION — 1957

Street	Length of Pipe	No. C/B's	No. M/H's
Birch Meadow Drive .....	731.00	10	2
Forest Glen Road .....	499.30	2	4
Forest Street .....	361.00	4	4
Haverhill Street .....	505.00	2	3
Irving Street .....	255.00	4	2
Lowell St. Culvert .....	55.00	2	1
Milton Road .....	156.28	2	2
Van Norden Road .....	304.00	4	4
Wells Road .....	67.40	2	0
Winslow Road .....	360.50	2	1
Totals .....	3,294.48	34	23
Timberneck Brook — Salem to Charles St. .... 4,917.36 Ft. Open Ditch			

### Maintenance of Storm Drains

During the Winter, early Spring, and Fall months, a program of cleaning storm drains, culverts, catch basins and open drain ditches was carried on. A section of the Quannapowitt Drain Ditch from John Street to the Boston & Maine Railroad right-of-way, was cleaned by means of a hired drag-line crane, and a tributary of the same drain system was drag-lined with the Department's Crane. The orange-peel catch basin cleaning rig has cleaned all catch basins in the drainage system during the year. As of December 31, 1957, there are approximately 1300 catch basins in the storm drain system.

### Snow and Ice

Snow storms, each depositing an accumulation of 1" or more of snow in 1957, were ten in number, eight of which required highway plowing. In addition to these ten recorded storms, several storms of minor importance, classed as "Traces" only, occurred. The following table illustrates the recorded snow-fall during 1957:

### RECORDED SNOW STORMS — 1957

Date	Snowfall Inches	Temperature	Wind Direction	Remarks
Jan. 6	5"	+18°	N.W.	Lt., Mod., Plowed—Dry Snow
Jan. 7	5"	+22°	N.W.	Mod. Plowed—Dry Snow
Jan. 10	5"	+32°	N.W.	Mod., Rain & Snow—Plowed
Jan. 16	4"	+ 4°	N.W.	Mod. Plowed—Dry Snow
Jan. 22	1"	+26°	N.W.	Mod., Rain & Snow—Sanded
Jan. 29	4"	+28°	N.W.	Light, Plowed—Snow & Rain
Feb. 1	3"	+32°	North	Mod. Snow & Rain—Sanded
Mar. 1	5"	+28°	N.E.	Mod. Plowed—Wet Snow
Mar. 20	8"	+32°	N.E.	Mod., Hvy. Sleet, Snow, Plow
April 9	4"	+34°	N.W.	Mod. Snow & Rain—Plowed
TOTAL	43"			



Precipitation in the form of snow, sleet or rain or combinations of all three occurred on twenty-five days during the first three months of 1957, resulting in constant sanding operations. No major snow storms were recorded in 1957, and no plowable storms occurred during the last three months of the year. As of December 31, 1957, the major snow removal equipment of the Public Works Department consists of the following units:

- 16—Town-owned Truck Plow Units
- 2—Town Owned Sidewalk Tractor Snow Plow Units
- 2—Town-owned Jet Type Sand Spreaders
- 1—Town-owned Mechanical Snow Loader

To augment this equipment, the following snow-plow units are rented from private contractors:

- 5—Hired Jeeps and Tractors for Private Way Plowing
- 5—Hired Truck Plow Units

### **John Street Dump**

The new dumping area situated Southerly of the Quannapowitt Drain has been maintained efficiently and economically throughout the year, with a planned program of semi-sanitary land fill in operation. Under this program, daily burning of combustibles is carefully supervised by the Dump Caretakers, who are on duty seven days per week, and who are equipped with fire hoses connected to a fire hydrant in the dump area to control the burning debris. The remaining debris is then bulldozed into the excavated, water-filled pit, and covered with gravel borrow. By this method of dump operation, many years of useful life are added to the John Street Dump area, and the excavated peat, sand and clay, which have been deposited in high embankments surrounding the dumping area, not only prevent the spread of dump fires, but conceal the actual dump from passing motorists.

Early in the Fall of 1957, the Town of Wakefield discontinued use of leased land adjacent to the John Street Dump which it has been operating as a public dump, and moved its dumping operations to a new, out-of-town location. An Incinerator Study Committee, composed of representatives of Wakefield, Reading, Lynnfield and Stoneham, appointed by the several Towns in 1957, have explored the possibility of a jointly-owned incinerator, and it is anticipated that the Reading Incinerator Study Committee will submit a report of their findings at the March 1958 Annual Town Meeting.

The area situated Northerly of the Quannapowitt Drain has been used during the year for disposal of stumps, logs and brush, and the remains of two large buildings, Security Hall and the Center School, razed during 1957, were burned in this area. A "Community Christmas Tree Bonfire", instituted by the Board of Selectmen as a method for safe disposal of Christmas trees, was held in this area, attended by several hundred citizens. This is planned to continue as an annual event.

The method of semi-sanitary land fill precludes infestation of the

dump by rats; and a thorough survey by competent professional exterminators shows no need for a rodent control program, such as was practiced in 1955.

### **Park and Playground Division**

Major improvements have been accomplished at several Parks and Playgrounds, and regular maintenance work has been carried on, in season. The annual Spring maintenance work was started as early as ground conditions permitted, all Parks and Playgrounds being cleaned of debris, shrub-beds edged, peat moss and fertilizer applied as required, grassed areas renovated and maintained. Full cooperation was given the Recreation Committee and its Supervised Play Director during July and August, men and equipment being placed at their disposal for erection and maintenance of play equipment, setting up areas for special events, and similar occasions.

A resume of the work accomplished at the several Parks and Playgrounds follows:

#### **Memorial Park:**

No major improvements were made at this Park, which was in constant use throughout the year. The two skating areas were flooded in the late Fall, and afforded excellent ice skating in season.

#### **Birch Meadow Playground:**

In the late Fall of 1957, a start was made on re-grading the outfield at the softball field. Loam was spread over the area, and other loam stockpiled for use in the Spring of 1958. Extensive repairs were made to the tennis court fences, and to the bleachers. During the latter part of August, a carnival was held at this Playground, sponsored by the service clubs of Reading for the purpose of obtaining funds to purchase chairs for the auditorium at Reading Community Center. The Birch Meadow Skating Area was greatly improved, following the completion of Birch Meadow Drive, which encompasses the area on three sides. A stone masonry headwall containing an overflow was constructed, adequate drain pipe installed, an open ditch rerouted and piped to improve the area, and side slopes were properly graded. This skating area contains no more than two feet of water at any-time, and is a safe area for small children to use. A drain pipe is so located that the entire area can be drained during the Summer months. Side slopes will be loamed and seeded in the Spring of 1958.

#### **Sturges Park:**

As anticipated, Sturges Park was greatly improved during 1957. Excavated material from Chapter 90 West Street Construction was used to fill an area approximately 250 feet by 300 feet, an average depth of five feet, situated on the Northerly side of the ice hockey area. When completed in 1958, the reclaimed area will accommodate a regulation sized softball diamond, two tennis courts and a small children's play area. Gravel borrow to insure adequate sub-surface drainage will be placed and graded, and loam previously salvaged

from the filled area, will be placed over the gravel. With the increased housing developments in the Pine Ridge Road area, this Park will be in constant use. The ice hockey rink and general ice skating area were flooded in the early Fall, and used extensively.

#### Hunt Park:

Extensive maintenance operations at Little League ball field were accomplished in the early Spring, and despite the record drouth, the field remained in acceptable condition throughout the Little League playing season.

In the general area Westerly of the Little League field, a gravel lift was placed over the previously filled area, then loamed, graded, fertilized and seeded. This work was accomplished in the early Spring, but due to the prolonged drouth, the planting was not satisfactory. Portions of this area will be re-seeded in the early Spring of 1958.

#### Washington Street Ball Park:

The infield at this Park, containing the only regulation sized baseball diamond in Reading, was completely renovated in the early Spring. Sod was carefully cut and removed, hummocks and ground swells removed, and the sod replaced.

The pitcher's mound was completely rebuilt, as were the runners' lanes. Many favorable comments were received from home and visiting baseball teams on the excellence of the playing field, following the renovations.

Baseball league managers are again urged to submit their proposed 1958 game schedules at an early date, to permit proper allocation of the field to the many organizations interested in its use.

### **Sewer Division**

The need for an accelerated sanitary sewer construction program in Reading was emphasized in the Report of the Sewer Study Committee, dated March 18, 1957, and submitted to the Annual Town Meeting held March 18, 1957. Included in this report was a recommendation to the effect that the Board of Public Works should prepare and maintain a tentative five-year program of sewer extension and that this program, as revised, should be a part of the Board's annual report to the Town. On March 20, 1957, the following Tentative Five-Year Construction Program was presented to the Board of Public Works by its Superintendent, and adopted by them. It is anticipated that this program will be revised frequently, as emergencies arise from time to time:

# TENTATIVE FIVE-YEAR SEWER CONSTRUCTION PROGRAM

1957 - 1961 Inclusive

1957

Street	Section	Length Feet	Possible Connections
Lowell St.	High St. to Grand St.	600	10
Grand St.	Lowell St. to No. 50 Grand St.	985	22
Harriman Ave.	Grand St. to Deering St.	480	6
Deering St.	Lowell St. to near Middlesex Ave.	900	18
High St.	No. 258 High St. to No. 166 High St.	1670	35
Vine St.	High St. to Hunt St.	700	19
Vine St.	Mineral St. to Hunt St.	873	24
Woodward Ave.	High St. to Vine St.	650	15
Interceptor	Vine St. to Vale Rd.	250	1
Vale Rd.	Woodward Ave. to High St.	680	10
West St.	Summer Ave. Northerly	367	5
John Carver Rd.	Hartshorn St. to Birch Mdw. Dr.	1230	21
Summer Ave.	Knollwood Rd. No. 472 Summer Ave.	478	8

1958

Street	Section	Length Feet	Possible Connections
West St.	No. 435 West St. to No. 503 West St.	1200	15
Virginia Rd.	Indiana Ave. to Penna. Ave.	660	9
Virginia Rd. Ex.	Summer Ave. Westerly	365	4
Brande Ct.	Chute St. to No. 6 Brande Ct.	170	1
Ordway Ter.	Chapin Ave. Northerly	130.5	2
Pleasant St. Ex.	Manning St. Easterly	125	2
Michellini Lane	Washington St. Southerly	150	1
Pierce St.	Existing Sewer to No. 20 Pierce St.	77.5	1
Lowell St.	Middlesex Ave. to Highland St.	150	3
Lowell St.	Middlesex Ave. Northerly	113	1
Randall Rd.	West St. to Coolidge Rd.	500	0
Coolidge Rd.	Springvale to Wescroft	300	6
Springvale Rd.	Coolidge to Overlook	1350	26
Wescroft Rd.	Woburn St. to County Rd.	1650	35
Overlook Rd.	Wescroft Rd. Northerly	450	3
Lowell St.	Intervale Terrace to Willow St.	160	4
Willow St.	Lowell St. to near B. & M. R.R.	1050	25
Interceptor	Rear Senior High to Birch Mdw Dr.	970	—
Interceptor	Birch Mdw. Drive to Whitter Rd.	380	—
Whittier Rd.	Entire Length	1440	37
Tennyson Rd.	Entire Length	1440	25

1959		Possible	
Street	Section	Length Feet	Con- nections
Waverly Rd. } Hillside Rd. }	Oakland Rd. to Main St.	1950	18
Main St.	Hampshire Rd. to Lawrence Rd.	220	6
Hampshire Rd.	Main St. to Lawrence Rd.	830	12
Lawrence Rd.	Main St. to Hampshire Rd.	1310	31
Main St.	Lawrence Rd. to Lafayette Rd.	2945	40
Willard Rd.	Main St. to Pearl St.	510	9
Interceptor	High School Sewer to Bancroft Ave.	375	2
Bancroft Ave.	Hartshorn St. to Weston Rd.	1587	20
Weston Rd.	Bancroft Ave. to Hanscom Ave.	277	5
Hanscom Ave.	Lowell St. to No. 60 Hanscom Ave.	950	4
Intervale Terr.	Lowell St. Easterly	800	14
Intervale Terr.	John Carver Rd. Westerly	562	10
King St.	West St. Easterly	260	2

1960		Possible	
Street	Section	Length Feet	Con- nections
Winslow Rd.	Entire Length	1280	20
Glenmere Cir.	Entire Length	1665	30
Hartshorn St.	Entire Length	1800	28
Puritan Rd.	Lowell St. to John Carver Rd.	675	10
Priscilla Rd.	Entire Length	595	10
John Carver Rd.	Priscilla Rd. to Hartshorn St.	940	12
Harvard St.	John Carver to Interceptor	447	4
Interceptor	Harvard St. to Hartshorn St.	340	—
Highland St.	Lowell St. to No. 28 Highland St.	570	6
Interceptor	Bancroft Ave. to Easement	320	—
Easement	Interceptor to Longfellow Rd.	160	—
Longfellow Rd.	Entire Length	1200	22
Palmer Hill Av.	Entire Length	370	6

1961		Possible	
Street	Section	Length Feet	Con- nections
Summer Ave.	Bear Hill Rd. to Brook St.	1000	10
Bear Hill Rd.	Summer Ave. to Cedar St.	1200	20
North St.	Bear Hill Rd. Easterly	200	3
Interceptor	West St. to Laneton Way	350	—
Laneton Way	Entire Length	200	3
Lowell St.	Grand St. to Deering St.	850	18
Lee St.	Entire Length	360	9
Hunt St.	Entire Length	360	12
Interceptor	Lee St. to High School Sewer	900	—
Summer Ave.	West St. to Mineral St.	2100	41
Lowell St.	Near No. 441 - No. 481 Beverly Rd.	500	9
Interceptor	Sewer P. S. to Beverly Rd.	2200	—



At the March 18, 1957 Annual Town Meeting, an appropriation of \$100,000.00 was voted for sanitary sewer construction in 1957. Bids were taken for said sewer construction, and on July 1, 1957, a contract for sewer construction was awarded. Work started under the contract on July 16, 1957, and a total of 8,660 lineal feet of 8" Transite sewer mains were laid in streets included in the preceding five-year program. Substantial amounts of trench ledge encountered in several streets delayed early completion of this contract, and record drouth coupled with water usage restrictions precluded puddling of the sewer trenches to insure proper compaction. With the advent of cold weather, the contractor requested that he be permitted to be temporarily released from the conditions of his contract which required excavation of the sewer trenches, cutting of the raveled trench edges, water-jetting the trenches to insure proper compaction, filling the settled trenches with gravel, and applying a two-course bituminous concrete surface. The contractor also agreed to maintain the settled trenches, at his own expense, during the winter months, and return in the Spring of 1958 to properly resurface the sewer trenches and roadways. This request was granted, and the contractor has on several occasions sent maintenance crews to fill trenches settled by the heavy rains of November and December 1957.

During 1957, main trunk sanitary sewer extensions totaled 10,138 lineal feet of which 8,660 lineal feet was installed by the sewer contractor, 1053 lineal feet by the Sewer Department, and 425 lineal feet by a housing developer. A statistical table included in this report shows locations of sewer mains installed in 1957.

Sewer house connections were installed to 111 dwelling houses and 7 sewer house connections were run to street lines only prior to road construction. Sewer house connection installations totaled 6151.10 lineal feet. In addition, a connection was made to Trancoa Chemical Corporation on Ash Street by means of a special drop manhole installation. In several locations existing sewer house connections were replaced due to intrusion of tree roots, pipe failures and similar causes.

Maintenance of main trunk sanitary sewers was carried on, consisting of cleaning sewer mains with a powered sewer cleaning rig.

Willow Street Sewage Pumping Station operated efficiently during the year, with an increase of sewage pumped of 15.687 million gallons in 1957, compared to 5.069 million gallons pumped in 1956. Many of the sewer mains installed in 1957 outfall through this sewage pumping station, as does the Birch Meadow Elementary School.

The following tables illustrate the present status of the Reading Sewage System.

## LENGTH OF MAIN SEWERS — 1957

Street	5"	6"	8"	10"	12"	15"	18"	20"	24"	Total
Arcadia Ave.	...	...	...	...	1614.35	...	...	...	...	1614.35
Arlington St.	...	...	399.80	...	...	...	...	...	...	399.80
Ash St.	...	...	1062.90	...	...	258.80	...	...	...	1321.70
Bancroft Ave.	...	72.50	1366.79	...	...	...	...	...	...	1439.29
Berkeley St.	...	...	1256.10	...	...	...	...	...	...	1256.10
Bond St.	...	...	1032.65	...	...	...	...	...	...	1032.65
Boyce St.	...	...	516.87	...	...	...	...	...	...	516.87
Brook St.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	847.60	847.60
California Rd.	...	...	560.80	...	...	...	...	...	...	560.80
Cape Cod Ave.	...	82.00	809.65	...	...	...	...	...	...	891.65
Center Ave.	...	...	620.60	...	...	...	...	...	...	620.60
Chapin Ave.	...	529.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	529.00
Charles St.	...	75.00	845.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	920.00
Cherry Lane Drive	...	...	425.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	425.00
Chute St.	191.00	...	402.13	...	...	...	...	...	...	593.13
Copeland Ave.	...	...	500.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	500.00
County Rd.	...	...	735.73	...	...	...	...	...	...	735.73
Crosby Rd.	...	309.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	309.30
Deering St.	...	107.00	600.25	...	...	...	...	...	...	707.25
Dudley St.	...	349.74	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	724.24
Eaton St.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Echo Ave.	...	...	371.83	...	...	907.70	...	...	...	1530.40
Edgemont Ave.	...	...	1225.21	95.40	622.70	...	...	...	...	1530.40
Edwin St.	...	198.62	...	...	79.00	...	...	...	...	1225.21
Elliott St.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	198.62
Elm St.	...	...	489.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	489.00
Fairview Ave.	...	...	383.28	...	...	...	...	...	...	383.28
Fremont St.	...	...	1084.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	1084.30
Gardner Rd.	...	...	456.50	...	...	...	...	...	...	456.50
Garrett Rd.	...	...	475.00	384.00	...	...	...	...	...	475.00
Gilmore Ave.	181.80	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	384.00
Glen Rd.	...	602.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	181.80
Gould St.	...	...	296.39	...	...	...	...	...	...	602.00
Grand St.	...	767.35	986.15	...	...	...	...	...	...	469.09
Green St.	...	175.20	1717.40	...	...	821.60	...	...	...	1753.50
Hancock St.	...	250.00	...	...	1011.80	...	...	...	...	2714.20
Harnden St.	...	...	559.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	1261.80
Harrison Ave.	...	...	483.20	...	...	...	...	...	...	559.30
Harrison St.	...	...	...	565.00	...	...	...	...	...	483.20
Haven St.	...	236.50	1752.80	...	822.50	...	...	...	...	1387.50
High St.	...	...	2400.97	1338.05	736.10	...	...	...	...	1989.30
High School	...	...	100.00	2500.00	4396.00	...	...	...	...	4475.12
Hillcrest Rd.	...	...	965.30	...	...	...	...	...	...	6996.00
Howard St.	...	1518.00	1110.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	965.30
Indiana Ave.	...	...	429.60	...	...	...	...	...	...	2628.00
Interceptors	...	...	446.60	...	...	...	...	...	...	429.60
Jere Rd.	...	...	195.46	...	...	...	...	...	...	3178.60
John Carver Rd.	...	...	1096.00	...	...	...	...	...	2732.00	195.46
John St.	...	602.30	...	...	...	569.60	...	...	...	1096.00
King St.	...	889.57	266.00	...	...	...	...	...	178.50	1616.40
Kingston St.	...	...	175.00	...	...	...	...	...	...	1064.57
Lewis St.	...	...	932.16	...	...	...	...	...	...	719.30
Linden St.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	932.16
Linncoln St.	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	...	1111.50
Linden St.	...	187.20	304.40	573.40	538.10	...	...	...	...	1111.50
Longview Rd.	...	395.00	735.30	735.30	...	...	...	...	...	1396.00
Longview Rd.	...	...	1274.52	...	...	...	...	...	...	1274.52

Lowell St.	101.16	2182.05	953.50	234.90	234.90
Main St.	.....	1189.20	.....	.....	.....
Middle St.	.....	313.60	.....	.....	.....
Middlesex Ave.	200.38	1423.40	.....	.....	.....
Mineral St.	627.25	438.40	.....	.....	.....
Minot St.	.....	1409.65	.....	.....	.....
Morgan Park	.....	1043.52	312.49	.....	.....
Mt. Vernon St.	.....	.....	160.00	.....	.....
Munroe Ave.	433.34	.....	384.00	.....	.....
Nichols Rd.	.....	1802.00	.....	.....	.....
Oak St.	.....	947.55	.....	.....	.....
Oak Ridge Rd.	.....	1125.00	396.21	.....	.....
Orange St.	444.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Orchard Park Dr.	.....	130.50	.....	.....	.....
Orchard Ter.	.....	507.30	.....	.....	.....
Park Ave.	.....	427.00	322.70	.....	.....
Parker St.	.....	757.40	855.55	.....	.....
Pearl St.	330.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Pennsylvania Ave.	.....	628.00	.....	.....	.....
Perkins Ave.	.....	400.00	.....	.....	.....
Pierce St.	.....	250.10	.....	.....	.....
Pine Ave.	.....	226.00	.....	.....	.....
Pine Ridge Rd.	.....	1035.15	.....	.....	.....
Pleasant St.	.....	1496.80	843.96	.....	.....
Pratt St.	186.00	776.30	.....	.....	.....
Prospect St.	.....	2529.26	1174.10	.....	.....
Prospect St.	532.00	1260.00	.....	.....	.....
Rachel Rd.	.....	440.00	.....	.....	.....
Salem St.	.....	1082.10	132.50	.....	.....
Sanborn St.	.....	716.30	.....	.....	.....
School St.	.....	688.25	.....	.....	.....
Scotland Rd.	500.00	901.73	.....	.....	.....
Shelby Rd.	.....	320.51	713.48	.....	.....
Sigbee Ave.	.....	475.00	.....	.....	.....
Smith Ave.	.....	393.50	.....	.....	.....
Spring St.	.....	435.90	.....	.....	.....
Stewart Rd.	436.19	4621.85	.....	.....	.....
Sumner Ave.	434.60	264.00	.....	.....	.....
Sunnyside Ave.	.....	334.30	.....	.....	.....
Sylvan Rd.	.....	239.85	.....	.....	.....
Temple St.	896.76	432.89	661.39	.....	.....
Thorndike St.	204.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Union St.	.....	303.60	.....	.....	.....
Vale Rd.	.....	733.05	.....	.....	.....
Village St.	.....	1015.60	.....	.....	.....
Vine St.	.....	1500.20	.....	487.80	.....
Virginia Rd.	125.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Vista Ave.	300.00	.....	.....	.....	.....
Warren Ave.	.....	715.00	.....	.....	.....
Washington St.	.....	1324.90	312.90	1574.30	.....
Wenda St.	300.00	.....	246.80	.....	.....
West St.	1283.90	3710.60	.....	.....	.....
Willow St.	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Wilson St.	.....	471.40	1555.00	.....	.....
Woburn St.	2999.25	152.60	333.10	.....	.....
Wood End Lane	229.45	.....	917.40	.....	.....
Woodward Ave.	.....	600.33	.....	.....	.....
Totals	1361.30	17909.56	16505.04	2870.60	3758.10
				487.80	1809.20
				.....	130794.62

# MAIN TRUNK SEWER EXTENSION — 1957

(Size and Length of Pipe)

Street	Location	8" AC	Tees	MH	YS	Total Length	Poss. Conn.
Lowell St. ....	High St. to Grand St. ....	763.95	6	5	5	763.95	11
Grand St. ....	Lowell St. to No. 50 ....	986.15	10	6	12	986.15	22
Harriman Ave. ....	Grand St. to Deering St. ....	483.20	4	1	0	483.20	4
Deering St. ....	Lowell St. to Middlesex Ave. ....	600.25	4	4	13	600.25	17
Vine St. ....	High St. to Mineral St. ....	1500.20	11	11	21	1500.20	33
Vale Rd. ....	Vine St. to Woodward Ave. ....	733.05	—	2	9	733.05	9
Woodward Ave. ....	Vine St. to High St. ....	600.33	2	3	7	600.33	9
Interceptor ....	Vale Rd. to Vine St. ....	241.60	0	0	1	241.60	1
West St. ....	Summer Ave. to No. 435 ....	367.00	1	4	4	367.00	5
John Carver Rd. ....	Hartshorn to Birch Meadow Dr. ....	1096.00	6	6	13	1096.00	19
High St. ....	Middlesex Ave. to No. 258 ....	1654.50	8	8	24	1654.50	32
Summer Ave. ....	Knollwood Rd. to No. 472 ....	478.00	0	4	8	478.00	8
Ordway Ter. ....	Chapin Ave. to end ....	130.50	1	1	1	130.50	2
*Cherry Lane Dr. ....	Summer Ave. to end ....	425.00	—	2	5	425.00	5
Pierce St. ....	Summit to No. 20 ....	77.50	0	0	1	77.50	1
Totals		10137.23	53	57	124	10137.23	178

\*Indicates Work Done by Developer

# LENGTH OF SEWER UNDERDRAINS AND SEWERS IN STREETS — 1957

Street	Length of Underdrains				Total	Total Length Sewers and Under- drains
	5"	6"	8"	10"		
Arcadia Ave. ....						1614.35
Arlington St. ....						399.80
Ash St. ....	237.00			258.80	495.80	1817.50
Bancroft Ave. ....						1439.29
Berkeley St. ....		456.00			456.00	1710.12
Bond St. ....						1032.65
Boyce St. ....						516.87
Brook St. ....		847.60			847.60	1695.20
California Rd. ....						560.80
Cape Cod Ave. ....						891.65
Center Ave. ....	620.60				620.60	1241.20
Chapin Ave. ....						529.00
Charles St. ....						920.00
Cherry Lane Drive ....						425.00
Chute St. ....						593.13
Copeland Ave. ....						500.00
County Rd. ....						735.73
Crosby Rd. ....						309.30
Deering St. ....						775.75
Dudley St. ....						724.24
Eaton St. ....		1002.70	527.70		1530.40	3060.80
Echo Ave. ....		528.83			528.83	1075.06
Edgemont Ave. ....						1225.21
Edwin St. ....						198.62
Elliott St. ....						489.00
Elm St. ....	383.28				383.28	766.56
Fairview Ave. ....		1084.30			1084.30	2168.60
Fremont St. ....		456.50			456.50	913.00
Gardner Rd. ....						475.00
Garrett Rd. ....						384.00
Gilmore Ave. ....						181.80
Glen Rd. ....						602.00
Gould St. ....						469.09
Grand St. ....						1753.50
Green St. ....	836.90	979.10			1816.00	4530.20
Hancock St. ....						1261.80
Harnden St. ....						559.30
Harriman Ave. ....						483.20
Harrison St. ....						1387.50
Haven St. ....		588.20			588.20	2577.50
High St. ....		478.70	736.10		1214.80	5689.92
High School (main) ..						6996.00
Hillcrest Rd. ....		450.40			450.40	1415.70
Howard St. ....		2550.00			2550.00	5178.00
Indiana Ave. ....						429.60
Interceptors ....		2937.00			2937.00	6115.60
Jere Rd. ....						195.46
John Carver Rd. ....						1096.00
John St. ....		748.10			748.10	2364.50
King St. ....		175.00			175.00	1239.67
Kingston St. ....	609.30	110.00			719.30	1438.60
Lewis St. ....						932.16
Lincoln St. ....			1111.50		1111.50	2223.00
Linden St. ....	290.40	444.90			735.30	1962.20
Longview Rd. ....						395.00
Lothrop Rd. ....						1274.52
Lowell St. ....						2283.21
Main St. ....		1246.10	955.50	234.90	2436.50	4873.00



# LENGTH OF SEWER UNDERDRAINS AND SEWERS IN STREETS — 1957

Street	Length of Underdrains				Total Length Sewers and Under- drains	
	5"	6"	8"	10"	Total	
Maple St. ....	189.20	....	....	....	189.20	378.40
Middle St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	313.60
Middlesex Ave. ....	254.00	....	....	....	254.00	1877.78
Mineral St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	1065.65
Minot St. ....	972.65	437.00	....	....	1409.65	2819.30
Morgan Park ....	....	....	....	....	....	312.49
Mt. Vernon St. ....	....	230.30	....	....	230.30	1433.82
Munroe Ave. ....	....	....	....	....	....	384.00
Nichols Rd. ....	....	....	....	....	....	433.34
Oak St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	1802.00
Oak Ridge Rd. ....	....	....	....	....	....	947.55
Orange St. ....	....	1521.21	....	....	1521.21	3042.42
Orchard Park Dr. ....	....	....	....	....	....	444.00
Ordway Ter. ....	....	....	....	....	....	130.50
Park Ave. ....	507.30	....	322.70	....	830.00	1660.00
Parker St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	427.00
Pearl St. ....	....	855.55	....	....	855.55	2798.50
Pennsylvania Ave. ....	....	....	....	....	....	628.00
Perkins Ave. ....	....	....	....	....	....	400.00
Pierce St. ....	....	155.20	....	....	155.20	405.30
Pine Ave. ....	226.00	....	....	....	226.00	452.00
Pine Ridge Rd. ....	....	....	....	....	....	1035.15
Pleasant St. ....	....	374.00	469.80	....	843.80	3184.56
Pratt St. ....	252.20	303.30	....	....	555.50	1517.80
Prescott St. ....	1070.60	2091.80	....	....	3162.40	6865.76
Prospect St. ....	886.00	....	....	....	886.00	2678.00
Rachel Rd. ....	....	....	....	....	....	440.00
Salem St. ....	543.00	77.20	132.50	....	752.70	1967.30
Sanborn St. ....	200.00	....	....	....	200.00	916.30
School St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	688.25
Scotland Rd. ....	....	1401.73	....	....	1401.73	2803.46
Sigsbee Ave. ....	....	320.51	....	....	320.51	641.02
Shelby Rd. ....	....	....	....	....	....	713.48
Smith Ave. ....	....	....	....	....	....	475.00
Spring St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	393.50
Stewart Rd. ....	....	....	....	....	....	435.90
Summer Ave. ....	....	....	....	....	....	5058.04
Sunnyside Ave. ....	432.60	222.00	....	....	654.60	1353.20
Sweetser Ave. ....	175.00	....	....	....	175.00	509.30
Sylvan Rd. ....	....	....	....	....	....	239.85
Temple St. ....	....	40.00	....	....	40.00	2031.04
Thorndike St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	204.00
Union St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	303.60
Vale Rd. ....	....	....	....	....	....	733.05
Village St. ....	....	825.00	....	....	825.00	2328.40
Vine St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	1500.20
Virginia Rd. ....	....	....	....	....	....	125.00
Vista Ave. ....	....	288.00	....	....	288.00	588.00
Warren Ave. ....	715.00	....	....	....	715.00	1430.00
Washington St. ....	....	724.00	246.80	1663.20	2634.00	6092.90
Wenda St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	300.00
West St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	4994.50
Willow St. ....	....	....	....	....	....	1555.00
Wilson St. ....	....	....	804.50	....	804.50	1609.00
Woburn St. ....	1196.00	....	917.40	....	2113.40	6998.45
Wood End Lane ....	....	....	....	....	....	229.45
Woodward Ave. ....	....	....	....	....	....	600.33
Totals .....	10597.03	24950.23	6224.50	2156.90	43428.66	174723.28

**LENGTH OF SEWER HOUSE CONNECTIONS RUN EITHER TO CURB,  
HOUSE OR CONNECTED**

Street	Curb	House	Conn.	Total Length
Arcadia Ave. ....			1,038.80	1,038.80
Arlington St. ....			416.10	416.10
Ash St. ....			976.90	976.90
Bancroft Ave. ....			1,354.90	1,354.90
Berkeley St. ....			1,489.40	1,489.40
Bond St. ....			1,051.70	1,051.70
Boyce St. ....			409.40	409.40
Brook St. ....		85.50	759.00	844.50
California Rd. ....	17.00		367.80	384.80
Cape Cod Ave. ....			387.40	387.40
Center Ave. ....			425.00	425.00
Chapin Ave. ....			280.40	280.40
Charles St. ....			897.50	897.50
Cherry Lane Dr. ....			255.80	255.80
Chute St. ....			319.00	319.00
Copeland Ave. ....			506.00	506.00
County Rd. ....			524.60	524.60
Crosby Rd. ....			385.11	385.11
Deering St. ....			238.20	238.20
Dudley St. ....			674.90	674.90
Eaton St. ....			814.40	814.40
Echo Ave. ....			256.20	256.20
Edgemont Ave. ....			994.90	994.90
Edwin St. ....			265.00	265.00
Elliott St. ....			622.00	622.00
Elm St. ....			157.10	157.10
Fairview Ave. ....			736.10	736.10
Fremont St. ....			209.00	209.00
Fulton St. ....			44.00	44.00
Gardner Rd. ....			501.50	501.50
Garrett Rd. ....			284.20	284.20
Gilmore Ave. ....			81.80	81.80
Glen Rd. ....			580.60	580.60
Gould St. ....			627.70	627.70
Grand St. ....			753.60	753.60
Green St. ....	36.00	173.00	2,473.21	2,682.21
Hancock St. ....			427.00	427.00
Harnden St. ....	32.00		257.80	289.80
Harrison St. ....			932.30	932.30
Haven St. ....	128.50	79.00	2,093.00	2,300.50
High St. ....	22.00		1,295.55	1,317.55
Hillcrest Rd. ....			631.80	631.80
Howard St. ....			2,306.10	2,306.10
Ide St. ....			56.50	56.50
Indiana Ave. ....	16.00	52.33	293.80	362.13
Jere Rd. ....			309.00	309.00
John St. ....			1,527.30	1,527.30
King St. ....			879.10	879.10
Kingston St. ....			636.00	636.00
Lewis St. ....			597.90	597.90
Lincoln St. ....	44.00		370.00	414.00
Linden St. ....			900.10	900.10
Longview Rd. ....			304.50	304.50
Lothrop Rd. ....			309.40	309.40
Lowell St. ....			1,106.50	1,106.50
Main St. ....	252.50	99.00	2,674.25	3,025.75
Maple St. ....			135.60	135.60

Street	Curb	House	Conn.	Total Length
Middle St. ....			80.50	80.50
Middlesex Ave. ....		96.50	1,461.00	1,557.50
Mineral St. ....			526.70	526.70
Minot St. ....		77.00	879.20	956.20
Morgan Pk. ....			87.60	87.60
Mt. Vernon St. ....			1,255.70	1,255.70
Munroe Ave. ....			227.00	227.00
Nichols Rd. ....			158.00	158.00
Oak St. ....			891.70	891.70
Oak Ridge Rd. ....			574.50	574.50
Orange St. ....			363.60	363.60
Orchard Park Dr. ....			515.84	515.84
Palmer Hill Ave. ....			105.50	105.50
Park Ave. ....			324.60	324.60
Parker St. ....			302.50	302.50
Pearl St. ....			1,347.90	1,347.90
Pennsylvania Ave. ....			188.70	188.70
Perkins Ave. ....			434.80	434.80
Pierce St. ....			110.20	110.20
Pine Ave. ....			97.90	97.90
Pine Ridge Rd. ....			473.40	473.40
Pleasant St. ....			1,899.30	1,899.30
Pratt St. ....			766.50	766.50
Prescott St. ....	28.00	97.40	3,447.30	3,572.70
Prospect St. ....			2,467.30	2,467.30
Rachel Rd. ....			446.80	446.80
Salem St. ....	102.20		1,536.40	1,638.60
Sanborn St. ....		98.00	1,014.90	1,112.90
School St. ....			523.00	523.00
Scotland Rd. ....			1,039.10	1,039.10
Shelby Rd. ....			314.10	314.10
Smith Ave. ....			602.30	602.30
Spring St. ....			266.50	266.50
Stewart Rd. ....			362.60	362.60
Summer Ave. ....		94.00	4,075.50	4,169.50
Sunnyside Ave. ....			64.00	64.00
Sweetser Ave. ....	43.00		188.00	231.00
Sylvan Rd. ....			48.10	48.10
Temple St. ....	154.20	173.00	1,456.70	1,783.90
Thorndike St. ....			147.20	147.20
Union St. ....		66.00	208.40	274.40
Vale Rd. ....			46.70	46.70
Village St. ....			1,155.40	1,155.40
Vine St. ....			339.00	339.00
Virginia Rd. ....	19.00		75.00	94.00
Vista Ave. ....			191.10	191.10
Warren Ave. ....	19.40	68.00	638.60	726.00
Washington St. ....	40.00		2,904.60	2,944.60
Wenda St. ....			255.20	255.20
West St. ....	102.30		3,521.70	3,624.00
Willow St. ....			178.40	178.40
Wilson St. ....			713.30	713.30
Winslow Rd. ....			72.00	72.00
Woburn St. ....	106.40	70.50	4,688.70	4,865.60
Wood End Lane ....			191.20	191.20
Woodward Ave. ....			45.50	45.50
Totals .....	1,162.50	1,329.23	86,499.96	88,991.69

# SEWER HOUSE CONNECTIONS BY STREETS — 1957

Street	Poss. Conn.	Comp. Conn.	Per Cent Conn.	No Const. Started	Conn. To S/L	Revenue Charged 1957
Arthur B. Lord Dr. ....	1	1	100	....	....	—
Arcadia Ave.....	14	14	100	....	....	160.15
Arlington St. ....	11	11	100	....	....	161.75
Ash St. ....	17	17	100	....	....	457.60
Bancroft Ave. ....	29	27	93	2	....	459.75
Beech St. ....	1	1	100	....	....	21.00
Belmont St. ....	1	0	0	1	....	—
Berkeley St. ....	27	27	100	....	....	484.35
Bond St. ....	22	21	95	1	....	77.20
Boyce St. ....	4	4	100	....	....	72.50
Brande Ct. ....	1	1	100	....	....	6.90
Brook St. ....	10	10	100	....	....	217.30
California Rd. ....	9	8	89	....	1	—
Cape Cod Ave. ....	6	6	100	....	....	40.50
Center Ave. ....	10	10	100	....	....	191.81
Chapin Ave. ....	9	7	78	2	....	113.40
Charles St. ....	15	14	93	1	....	280.39
Cherry Lane Dr. ....	5	5	100	....	....	6.60
Chute St. ....	8	5	62	3	....	71.50
Copeland Ave. ....	8	8	100	....	....	181.72
County Rd. ....	24	16	63	8	....	272.55
Crosby Rd. ....	7	7	100	....	....	120.30
Deering St. ....	16	5	31	11	....	54.25
Dudley St. ....	15	13	87	2	....	257.14
Eaton St. ....	10	10	100	....	....	104.70
Echo Ave. ....	6	4	66	2	....	102.60
Edgemont Ave. ....	16	16	100	....	....	160.30
Edwin St. ....	4	4	100	....	....	64.30
Elliott St. ....	11	11	100	....	....	161.70
Elm St. ....	4	4	100	....	....	60.95
Fairview Ave. ....	19	18	95	1	....	310.30
Fremont St. ....	4	4	100	....	....	93.90
Fulton St. ....	1	1	100	....	....	32.15
Gardner Rd. ....	10	10	100	....	....	233.80
Garrett Rd. ....	4	4	100	....	....	38.60
Gilmore Ave. ....	4	4	100	....	....	66.10
Glen Rd. ....	10	10	100	....	....	181.75
Gould St. ....	9	9	100	....	....	129.00
Grand St. ....	34	12	32	22	....	146.00
Green St. ....	44	43	98	1	....	1,091.34
Hancock St. ....	14	7	50	7	....	102.00
Harnden St. ....	7	7	100	....	....	196.52

# SEWER HOUSE CONNECTIONS BY STREETS — 1957

Street	Poss. Conn.	Comp. Conn.	Per Cent Conn.	No Const. Started	To S/L To S/L	Revenue Charged 1957
Harriman Ave. ....	4	0	0	4	....	—
Harrison St. ....	19	17	90	2	....	245.10
Haven St. ....	47	46	98	1	....	1,751.99
High St. ....	61	25	41	36	....	439.51
Hillcrest Rd. ....	11	10	91	1	....	209.60
Howard St. ....	39	36	92	3	....	699.49
Ide St. ....	1	1	100	....	....	21.95
Indiana Ave. ....	12	4	33	....	8	15.43
Jere Rd. ....	4	4	100	....	....	69.60
John Carver Rd. ....	19	0	0	19	....	—
John St. ....	27	26	96	1	....	581.42
King St. ....	18	16	89	2	....	296.30
Kingston St. ....	15	15	100	....	....	224.05
Lewis St. ....	15	12	80	3	....	191.25
Lincoln St. ....	8	8	100	....	....	211.94
Linden St. ....	19	17	90	2	....	433.19
Longview Rd. ....	5	4	80	1	....	80.50
Lothrop Rd. ....	19	19	100	....	....	368.40
Lowell St. ....	29	16	55	13	....	126.45
Main St. ....	48	47	98	0	1	1,502.77
Maple St. ....	3	3	100	....	....	57.70
Middle St. ....	2	1	50	1	....	17.20
Middlesex Ave. ....	26	26	100	....	....	547.55
Mineral St. ....	15	10	67	5	....	100.45
Minot St. ....	21	21	100	....	....	378.70
Morgan Park ....	4	3	75	1	....	42.45
Munroe Ave. ....	3	3	100	....	....	23.35
Mt. Vernon St. ....	29	27	93	2	....	400.75
Nichols Rd. ....	4	3	75	1	....	65.50
Oak St. ....	23	19	83	4	....	281.50
Oakland Rd. ....	1	1	100	....	....	131.30
Oak Ridge Rd. ....	18	11	60	7	....	65.20
Orange St. ....	14	7	50	7	....	135.14
Orchard Park Dr. ....	9	9	100	....	....	240.80
Ordway Terr. ....	2	0	0	2	....	—
Palmer Hill Ave. ....	2	2	100	....	....	13.20
Park Ave. ....	9	9	100	....	....	129.65
Parker St. ....	7	7	100	....	....	136.75
Pearl St. ....	24	21	88	3	....	312.90
Pennsylvania Ave. ....	11	3	27	8	....	23.40
Perkins Ave. ....	7	7	100	....	....	196.45



# SEWER HOUSE CONNECTIONS BY STREETS — 1957

Street	Poss. Conn.	Comp. Conn.	Per Cent Conn.	No Const. Started	To S/L To S/L	Revenue Charged 1957
Pierce St. ....	4	1	25	3	....	71.92
Pine Ave. ....	2	2	100	....	....	6.00
Pine Ridge Rd. ....	18	8	44	10	....	112.75
Pleasant St. ....	37	37	100	....	....	729.35
Pratt St. ....	13	11	85	2	....	172.00
Prescott St. ....	54	52	96	....	2	977.20
Prospect St. ....	29	26	89	3	....	513.90
Rachel Rd. ....	8	8	100	....	....	187.19
Salem St. ....	28	25	89	1	2	655.20
Sanborn St. ....	15	15	100	....	....	395.97
School St. ....	10	10	100	....	....	180.30
Scotland Rd. ....	27	20	74	7	....	346.45
Shelby Rd. ....	5	5	100	....	....	58.15
Smith Ave. ....	16	16	100	....	....	305.05
Spring St. ....	7	6	85	1	....	90.70
Stewart Rd. ....	5	5	100	....	....	60.75
Summer Ave. ....	84	60	71	24	....	1,514.52
Sunnyside Ave. ....	6	6	100	....	....	140.30
Sweetser Ave. ....	5	5	100	....	....	65.85
Sylvan Rd. ....	2	1	50	1	....	10.25
Temple St. ....	28	28	100	....	....	618.05
Thorndike St. ....	3	2	67	1	....	30.35
Union St. ....	4	4	100	....	....	97.15
Vale Rd. ....	9	1	11	8	....	—
Village St. ....	25	22	88	3	....	471.98
Virginia Rd. ....	4	3	75	1	....	33.75
Vine St. ....	34	5	15	29	....	2.70
Vista Ave. ....	7	4	57	3	....	32.40
Warren Ave. ....	17	17	100	....	....	309.35
Washington St. ....	62	56	90	4	2	1,022.80
Wenda St. ....	5	5	100	....	....	76.85
Wentworth Rd. ....	1	1	100	....	....	31.40
Wescroft Rd. ....	1	1	100	....	....	25.50
West St. ....	75	51	68	7	17	623.20
Willow St. ....	6	3	50	....	3	12.25
Wilson St. ....	15	15	100	....	....	182.15
Winslow Rd. ....	1	1	100	....	....	9.50
Woburn St. ....	86	77	90	1	8	1,802.46
Wood End Lane ....	5	4	80	1	....	55.05
Woodward Ave. ....	9	1	11	8	....	—
Totals .....	1907	1552	81	311	44	\$29,788.26

## **Engineering Division**

The Engineering Division, augmented by private engineering assistance employed through a special consulting engineers' appropriation, prepared location surveys, plotted and drafted same, designed sewers, storm drains, roadways, sidewalks and set grades for all contractual and departmental projects carried on during the year.

During the Summer months, it was possible to employ engineering students from several colleges. These men acted as field crews, draftsmen and inspectors on construction projects. A retired civil engineer and a retired draftsman were also employed on a part time basis.

Under the existing Engineering Division Salary Schedule, the competitive situation with private industry makes it very difficult if not impossible to secure the full-time services of competent and efficient engineering personnel. At present, four vacancies exist in the Engineering Division.

As of December 15, 1957, five petitions have been received for street acceptance in 1958. By means of departmental and outside engineering personnel, surveys have been completed for estimated construction costs and public hearings.

The Consulting Engineers Account has been expended for private engineering services on street layouts, drain easements, sidewalk construction, sewer location surveys, and design, storm drain surveys and design, access road construction and other phases of construction and layout work.

The engineering division has also made bond release surveys on housing developments, inspected work of developers under the Subdivision Control Law and the Board of Survey.

## **Board of Survey Division**

Public hearings were held by the Board of Survey on 14 street layouts and property subdivisions on petitions of contractors, developers and/or property owners for approval of lines and grades. Estimates were prepared and surety or performance bonds secured for proper construction of several of these streets. Grade changes were effected on several streets after due notice was given the abutting property owners, and public hearings advertised and held as required by law.

Under the Subdivision Control Law, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, 46 separate plans were examined and endorsed for recording in the Registry of Deeds and Land Court.

## **Recommendations**

The most vital problem confronting Public Works in 1958 is to develop an additional water supply. Test wells driven during the Fall of 1957 show an estimated potential safe yield of 4.25 million gallons per day, one of the areas tested being entirely removed from the present well field at Hundred Acres Meadow, and the other areas being located

adjacent to the present well field. Both sources of potential additional water supply have been approved by the State Department of Public Health, for use as a municipal water supply.

It is recommended that, when the report of the Consulting Engineers retained to make a Report on Water Supply is received and reviewed, immediate steps be taken to insure an adequate additional municipal water supply prior to the advent of hot, dry weather, in the Spring of 1958, to avoid a repetition of water usage restrictions as were of necessity in effect during 1957. Citizens are urged to carefully study the Report on Water Supply when it is printed and published.

It is also recommended that the gravel-wall well at Pumping Station No. 2 be cleaned with chemicals in the Spring of 1958 to remove iron deposits and permit freer flow of water through the well-screen.

During the year on several occasions power failures were experienced at Hundred Acres Pumping Stations, caused by falling tree limbs, accumulation of ice on power lines, and lightning bolts. It is again recommended that an underground power cable be installed to Hundred Acres Pumping Stations, to insure against power failures.

The Bear Hill Standpipe must be repaired and painted in 1958. Due to the critical water situation, it was not possible to take this tank out of service in 1957.

Small, inadequate 1¼ inch water mains continue to be a prime cause of annoyance to home-owners served by them, as usually the inadequate flow of water therefrom precludes the use of automatic washing machines, garbage disposals and other modern household conveniences. It is recommended that these 1¼ inch water mains be replaced with 8 inch water mains as rapidly as funds permit.

It is recommended that each year a public way be selected for rebuilding and relocation of the traveled way, similar to the reconstruction of Forest Street in 1957. The outlying sections of Reading contain many such roadways, accepted as Public Town Ways prior to the turn of the century, which are narrow, crooked and hilly, with no storm drain systems. With the continued development of these outlying areas, and the resultant increase of vehicular traffic, hazardous conditions prevail, and should be corrected by proper relocation of the traveled way within the street layout. As elementary schools are constructed in these outlying areas, this matter becomes imperative.

Many culverts under roadways are inadequate in size, in some instances are in poor repair, and are set at improper grades. These culverts should be removed, replaced with culverts of adequate size, and set at lower elevations to insure proper drainage of the area served. It is recommended that in 1958 culverts be replaced at the Boston and Maine Railroad tracks Southerly of Willow Street at the Aberjona River; Charles Street at Timberneck Brook; Pleasant Street at Memorial Park Brook, and that channel improvements be made at these locations to the waterways affected.

It is again recommended that two additional sidewalk snow plow crawler-type tractors be purchased to augment the two now available.

With the erection of elementary schools in outlying sections, school children should not be forced, through lack of plowed sidewalks, to walk in the roadway. Many demands have been made for sidewalk snow plowing which have been impossible to satisfy due to lack of equipment.

In closing this report, the Superintendent wishes to express his appreciation to the Members of the Board for their many helpful suggestions and kindnesses extended to him during the year; and to assure all those in any way associated with him in carrying on the work of the Department of his gratitude for their interest and cooperation; and to acknowledge the assistance, cooperation and helpful suggestions which he has received from the other department heads of the Town.

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES T. PUTNAM, Superintendent

**SIXTY-THIRD ANNUAL REPORT**

**of**

**THE MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD**

**for the year ended**

**December 31, 1957**



## **MANAGER'S REPORT**

To the Municipal Light Board  
Gentlemen:

The 1956 construction program, largest in the department history, coupled with the 1956 rate adjustments and improved operation efficiencies have reflected very favorably in the department's 1957 operations.

The quality of service rendered has been the major objective. A vigorous tree trimming program and a steadily improved construction schedule has resulted in fewer outages on the department's lines, which in turn cut down on revenue losses.

The success of the department's operations for 1957 can be attributed in a large degree to the fine, sincere cooperation of all its personnel. Many extra tasks were completed for special studies, reports, etc., which saved the department many dollars. The individual work load is by far much larger than any utility of comparable size. For 55 employees, I believe the 1957 figures show this to be a fact.

Faced with a possible increase in our power costs in 1958 due to a Boston Edison request for a higher rate now before the Department of Public Utilities, the department is studying many ways and means to lower its power costs. The department is opposing this request before the Department of Public Utilities and is presenting its case to both Boston Edison and the Department of Public Utilities with hopes of not having its rate increased and possibly having it decreased.

It is expected the year 1958 will see the department go forward again to a successful year. With much of the construction completed in the majority of developments the additional loads will not require the large outlay of capital previously needed, which is the direct result of planning and operation.

The Avco Manufacturing Company and the Trancoa Chemical Company will no doubt change the load pattern of the system, resulting in a better operation for 1958.

### **Highlights of 1957 Operations**

**PEAK LOAD:** 16064 kilowatts. The peak occurred December 23, 1957, at 6:00 P. M. Although there was an increase in the peak of some 310 kilowatts a substantial savings above this figure was accounted for by the department's efforts in cutting the peak.

**CUSTOMERS:** 12,463. Service was extended to 490 new customers of which 166 were in Reading and 324 in the outside towns.

**ENERGY PURCHASED:** 60,410,062 kilowatt hours. This is an increase of 4,003,592 kilowatt hours over 1956. The average cost per kilowatt hour, however, decreased .017 cents to 1.6039 cents. This certainly shows the true results in the peak-cutting program.

**ENERGY SOLD:** 54,876,640. This was an increase of 2,912,687 kilowatt hours over 1956. This increase is in proportion to added customers for 1957.

**OPERATING REVENUES:** \$1,650,755.98. The average revenue per kilowatt hour rose to 3.00812 cents from the 1956 figure of 2.912 cents, an increase of .09612 cents per kilowatt hour.

ADDITIONS TO PLANT: \$479,994.45. The plant has increased from 1.3 million to 3.7 million from 1945 to 1957, a substantial increase. This is the extent to which the plant has grown to keep pace with the customers' demands.

Acknowledgement and appreciation is accorded to the members of the Municipal Light Board for the time, interest and keen sense of duty they have devoted to the conduct and guidance of the department's activities.

In accordance with the provisions of Section 57, Chapter 164 of the General Laws, I submit herewith my estimate of income and expenses of the plant for the year ending December 31, 1958.

### ESTIMATED INCOME AND EXPENSES FOR 1958

Estimate 1958

#### INCOME:

From Private Consumers .....	\$1,954,330.37
From Tax Levy—	
For Street Lights .....	18,000.00
From Municipal Buildings .....	23,311.43
From Miscellaneous Income .....	500.00
From Mdse. and Jobbing .....	7,000.00
<b>TOTAL INCOME .....</b>	<b>\$2,003,141.80</b>

#### EXPENSES:

Production .....	\$1,256,056.45
Distribution .....	166,800.00
Utilization .....	16,000.00
Commercial .....	50,000.00
New Business .....	500.00
General and Miscellaneous .....	84,200.00
Depreciation .....	183,396.04
Bond and Note Payments .....	69,000.00
Interest on Bonds and Notes .....	23,738.25
Uncollectible Operating Revenue .....	4,000.00
Taxes — Outside Towns .....	40,000.00
Interest on Consumers' Deposits .....	500.00
<b>TOTAL EXPENSES .....</b>	<b>\$1,894,190.74</b>

Excess — Income over Expenses .....	\$ 108,951.06
K.W.H. Purchased .....	80,058,514
K.W.H. Sold .....	74,402,744
K.W.H. for Reading Street Lights .....	700,000
Expense per K.W.H. Sold .....	2.54707c
Cost of Street Lights .....	\$ 17,829.49
Appropriation for Street Lights .....	\$ 18,000.00

A summary of Income and Expenses, Total Cost of Plant, together with the statement of Assets and Liabilities, the Profit and Loss Account, and the Auditor's Certificate is appended herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT W. STANFORD, Manager

**CHARLES E. STANWOOD & COMPANY**

Accountants and Auditors

16 Court Street

Boston, Massachusetts

February 3, 1958

To The Municipal Light Board

Town of Reading

Reading, Massachusetts

We have examined the accompanying balance sheet of the Municipal Light Department of the Town of Reading, Massachusetts as at December 31, 1957 and the related statements of income and profit and loss for the year then ended. Our examination was made in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and included such tests of the accounting records and other auditing procedures as we considered necessary in the circumstances.

In our opinion, the accompanying balance sheet and statements of income and profit and loss present fairly the financial position of the Municipal Light Department as at December 31, 1957 and the results of its operations for the year then ended, in conformity with the "Uniform System of Accounts for Municipal Lighting Plants" as prescribed by the Department of Public Utilities of Massachusetts.

CHARLES E. STANWOOD & COMPANY

**REPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL LIGHT BOARD**

The report of the Manager as submitted by him with certificate of the auditor is hereby approved by the Municipal Light Board and constitutes its report to the Town.

PHILLIP G. WILLCOX, Chairman

WINFRED F. SPURR

PHILLIP O. AHLIN, JR.

Municipal Light Board

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**TOTAL COST OF PLANT**

**as of December 31, 1957**

Cost of Electric Plant:—

Cost of Land — 226 Ash St. ....	\$	2,575.80
25 Haven St. ....		6,609.46
Wildwood St., Wilmington .....		700.00
Haverhill St., North Reading .....		3,219.19
Main St., Lynnfield Center .....		5,000.00
Cost of Structures — 226 Ash St. ....		36,870.84
25 Haven St. ....		28,093.90
Garage and Storeroom .....		33,205.07

Cost of Transformer Station and Substation Equipment .....	609,164.50
Cost of Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Conductors .....	1,340,827.99
Cost of Underground Conduits .....	344,229.81
Cost of Underground Conductors .....	670,728.98
Cost of Consumers Meters .....	182,168.27
Cost of Consumers Meter Installations .....	55,539.23
Cost of Line Transformers .....	259,008.19
Cost of Line Transformer Installations .....	13,806.93
Cost of Street Lighting Equipment .....	94,277.01
Total Cost of Electric Plant .....	\$3,686,025.17
Cost of General Equipment .....	46,279.95
Total Cost of Plant and General Equipment .....	\$3,732,305.12

## SUMMARY OF INCOME AND EXPENSES

for the year ending December 31, 1957

### REVENUES:

Residence Service — Schedule A .....	\$1,176,541.49
Commercial Service — Schedule B .....	127,725.82
Commercial and Industrial Service — Schedule C .....	263,617.92
Welding Service .....	227.14
Municipal Service .....	31,265.88
Flat Rate Sales .....	494.61
Sales to Private Companies and Municipal Plants .....	7,368.29
Street Lighting Service .....	43,514.83
Miscellaneous Income .....	7,598.69
Total Revenue .....	\$1,658,354.67

### EXPENSES:

Production Expenses .....	\$ 969,077.21
Distribution Expenses .....	162,175.79
Utilization Expenses .....	13,849.10
Commercial Expenses .....	46,014.47
New Business Expenses .....	398.76
General Expenses .....	58,220.21
Depreciation Expense .....	159,455.65
Interest on Bonds and Notes .....	24,937.90
Taxes — Personal Property Outside Towns .....	35,849.68
Uncollectible Operating Revenues .....	4,234.46
Interest on Consumers Deposits .....	503.52
Retirement Pensions .....	11,980.00
Bonds and Notes Paid .....	69,000.00
Total Expenses .....	\$1,555,696.75
Excess of Revenue over Expenses .....	\$ 102,657.92
Transfer to Town Treasurer .....	93,750.72
Net Increase of Profit and Loss Surplus .....	\$ 8,907.20

**STATEMENT OF ASSETS AND LIABILITIES**  
as of December 31, 1957

**FIXED ASSETS:**

Land .....	\$ 18,104.45
Structures .....	45,406.11
Trans. Sta. and Substa. Equipment .....	393,677.33
Poles, Fixtures and Overhead Cond. ....	602,942.57
Underground Conduits .....	273,842.30
Underground Conductors .....	534,199.41
Consumers Meters .....	97,332.55
Consumers Meter Installations .....	26,587.04
Line Transformers .....	179,874.34
Line Transformer Installations .....	7,091.72
Street Lighting Equipment .....	16,886.96
General Equipment .....	46,279.95
Unfinished Construction .....	18,784.46
Total Fixed Assets .....	\$2,261,009.19

**CURRENT ASSETS:**

Construction Fund .....	\$ 20,516.59
Depreciation Fund .....	59,136.67
Petty Cash .....	400.00
Consumers Deposit Fund .....	9,652.00
Accounts Receivable .....	285,289.22
Materials and Supplies .....	95,973.26
Total Current Assets .....	\$ 470,967.74

Prepaid Insurance .....	1,653.21
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<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>\$2,733,630.14</b>
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**LIABILITIES:**

Notes Payable .....	\$ 42,000.00
Bonds Payable .....	867,000.00
Accounts Payable .....	178,585.09
Consumers Deposits .....	9,652.00
Interest Accrued .....	7,250.92
Loans Repayment .....	847,578.26
Total Liabilities .....	\$1,952,066.27

Profit and Loss .....	781,563.87
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<b>Totals .....</b>	<b>\$2,733,630.14</b>
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NOTE: A contingent liability in the amount of \$3,768.59 existed as of December 31, 1957 on account of leases received from installment sales of electrical appliances which were discounted with the Middlesex County National Bank of Reading.

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**  
as of December 31, 1957

Balance January 1, 1957 .....	\$ 773,506.67
Net Income — Before Bond Payments .....	171,657.92
Total Credits .....	\$ 171,657.92
Bonds and Notes Paid .....	\$ 69,000.00
Transferred to General Funds of the Town .....	93,750.72
Other Deductions from Surplus .....	850.00
Total Debits .....	\$ 163,600.72
Balance December 31, 1957 .....	\$ 781,563.87



**ONE HUNDRED AND THIRD REPORT OF THE FIRE CHIEF  
REPORT OF THE FOREST WARDEN  
AND THE SUPERINTENDENT OF FIRE ALARM**

February 5, 1958

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:  
Gentlemen:

The 1957 report of the Fire Chief, Forest Warden and Superintendent of Fire Alarm is hereby submitted.

**Manual Force.** The permanent force consists of twenty-six men including the Chief, Deputy Chief and 3 Captains. There are thirteen full time and three half time call firemen and a Dispatcher on call. There are 30 members of the Auxiliary Fire Service. Three permanent men were appointed during the year.

**Apparatus.** Located at the Central Station are: Ladder 1, a Seagrave 65 ft. Junior Aerial Ladder Truck; Engine 1, a 1,000 gal. per min. Seagrave Pumping Engine; Engine 4, a 500 gal. per min. Chevrolet front end pumping Engine that also has a 100 gal. per min. portable pump and is used for brush and grass fires; Engine 6, a 750 gal. per min. Seagrave Pumping Engine; Engine 7, a 500 gal. per min. Auxiliary Trailer Pump; Engine 9, a one ton Chevrolet utility truck with a 250 gal. per min. front end pump; a two wheel hose trailer; a 1957 Chevrolet Station wagon for the use of the Deputy Chief. Located at the Woburn Street Station No. 2 are: Engine 2, an American La-France 1000 gal. per min. pumping engine; Engine 3 in reserve is a 600 gal. per min. Seagrave Pumping Engine; Engine 5, a 400 gal. per min. Chevrolet Pumping Engine, manned by the Auxiliary Fire Service and Auxiliary Engine 8, a 500 gal. per min. Trailer Pump; a 1956 Chevrolet Sedan for the use of the Chief. Routine maintenance and repairs were made as necessary on all apparatus.

**Service Record.** The department responded to 146 bell alarms, 10 of which were false; 7 second alarms; 3 third alarms; 56 still alarms; 41 radio calls; 286 telephone calls; 222 service calls — a total of 751 for 1957. This is 213 more calls than last year. Mutual Aid was furnished to other communities 72 times and other departments responded to Reading under Mutual Aid 63 times. Included in total calls are dwelling fires 41; other buildings 29; grass and brush 152; dumps, rubbish 57; motor vehicles 22; resuscitator 11; oxygen 2; patients taken to Doctor 3; motor vehicle accidents 14; man to assist police with ambulance 14; man to assist police otherwise 7; 33 firefighters received minor injuries; 1 civilian was injured and 1 civilian death. The fire loss for 1957 on property endangered, valued at \$1,702,930.00 was \$172,936.79, an increase of \$128,218.41 over last year. Of the loss, \$99,100.29 was covered by insurance, making the uninsured loss \$73,836.50. \$70,000.00 of the uninsured loss was on the Highland School fire on March 6th, which reflects the reason for the great increase in the fire loss this year over other years. The following equipment was used:

21 CO<sub>2</sub>, 1 Dry Powder, 1 Chimney Fuzee, 16 salvage covers spread, 26 times smoke ejectors used, 41,600 ft.  $\frac{3}{4}$  booster hose, 251 booster tanks of water, 83,800 ft. 1½ inch hose, 37,400 ft. 2½ inch hose. Engines pumped 138¾ hours. 1,918 ft. of ladders were raised, including the Aerial Ladder 20 times. Apparatus travelled a total of 19,243.4 miles during the year. Men were kept on guard at the Town Forest during the extreme drought periods. Fire Department pumps were utilized to pump water for the Public Works Department on many occasions during the dry summer when the water supply level would fall so low that houses in the highest elevations were without it. Engines 1 and 2 were sent to Manchester, Mass. on different occasions to assist in fighting the extensive woods fires in that area. Many of the fine old residences in that town were threatened and some property lost before these fires were brought under control. The State Fire Marshal's office investigated 10 fires of suspicious origin in Reading.

**Fire Prevention.** Fire prevention lectures were given to different civic groups as requested. Annual Award for the Fire Prevention Essay Contest, conducted by the Auxiliary Fire Service was presented at the Junior High School, by the Chief. 221 Power Oil Burner inspections were made and permits issued for storage of fuel oil, 4 inspections made and permits issued for storage of range oil, 18 Liquified Petroleum Gas installations were inspected and permits issued for storage of gas. 53 permits were issued for blasting operations. 8 miscellaneous permits were issued for removal of gasoline tanks, fireworks, to operate tar kettles, and to store diesel fuel. Many permits were issued for controlled burning in the open air, but during dry periods no permits of this nature were granted. Convalescent and Rest Homes were inspected as required by the State and other inspections were made as required, or upon complaint.

**Fire Station.** The Central Fire Station has had only routine repairs during the year. The permanent men redecorated the front bedroom walls and ceiling. Station No. 2 on Woburn Street was dedicated and the cornerstone laid on September 21st. This beautiful building is a proud addition to the Fire Department of the Town of Reading. Permanent firemen have been assigned to man the station and equipment, two men on a shift or a total of six men.

**Fire Alarm.** The Fire Alarm Shop was painted a second coat this year. Two new fire alarm boxes have been installed as replacements and three new additional boxes installed. The rebuilding of West Street necessitated reconstruction of the overhead lines from Woburn Street to Longwood Road. A fire alarm transmitter has been purchased to be installed in Station No. 2, also the necessary wiring and registers for the Mutual Aid Circuits.

**Recommendations.** It is recommended that the overhead and underground fire alarm lines be extended to further the coverage in some new sections of town not now covered. Some of the older fire alarm boxes should be replaced and additional boxes added to the system. Serious consideration should be given to the purchase of a Junior Aerial

ladder truck to be placed in the Central Station and the present Ladder 1 relocated in Station No. 2. Additional permanent firefighters are required to have sufficient manpower responding to an alarm. It is recommended that the one ton panel truck now ten years old be replaced. This truck is used in the construction and maintenance of the fire alarm system, and is also used for many utility purposes where the use of other equipment would be impracticable. It is also recommended that consideration be given to the construction of a Fire Station in the northern section of the town. This end of town is building up very rapidly and good locations for a station are being built upon. Land purchased now would probably save considerable expense at a later date.

**Conclusion.** I want to thank the honorable Board of Selectmen for their cooperation on matters during the past year, the members of the fire department and Auxiliary for efficient service. I wish to thank the local telephone operators for handling emergency calls so efficiently, the Red Cross Motor Service and Canteen, and other town departments and citizens who have assisted this department during the year.

Respectfully submitted,

HUGH L. EAMES,

Chief of the Fire Department

Forest Warden and Supt. of Fire Alarm

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## REPORT OF INSURANCE COMMITTEE

The Town of Reading Insurance Committee held eleven meetings in 1957. The fire at the Highland School caused unusual activity for this committee. The first offer of the adjuster assigned by the insurance company to settle for \$63,000.00, not including contents, was not acceptable, and after several months the committee finally accepted a settlement of \$80,000.

In July 1957, additional fire insurance in the amount of \$817,269.00 was placed on the various town buildings.

In October a total of \$570,000.00 was placed on the new Fire Station and the Birch Meadow School and \$57,725.00 for additional contents — total, \$1,444,995.00.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT M. LOTHROP, Secretary

## REPORT OF THE INSPECTOR OF WIRES

Honorable Board of Selectmen

Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1957.

Permits were issued and inspections made on the following:

Additions to existing wiring	224	Office buildings .....	7
Air conditioners .....	11	Public buildings .....	2
Beauty shops .....	2	Pumps .....	3
Churches (additions) .....	5	Ranges (electric) .....	152
Coal yards .....	2	Repairs to existing wiring .....	26
Dishwashers .....	28	Replace underground cable ..	2
Dryers .....	47	Rewire after fire .....	3
Dwellings (new) .....	135	Rewire oil burners .....	14
Dwellings (old) .....	6	Services (permanent) .....	135
Electric heaters .....	1	Service (temporary) .....	31
Fire alarm systems (private)	5	Services changed to 3 wire ...	66
Fire station (new) .....	1	Service location changes .....	5
Freezers .....	5	Schools (additions) .....	17
Gas furnace controls .....	22	Signs .....	1
Garages .....	1	Stores (additions) .....	17
Garbage disposals .....	35	Telephone booths (outdoor)	1
Gasoline stations .....	6	Time clock systems .....	2
Greenhouses .....	1	Vent fans .....	76
Manufacturing plants .....	3	Washers (automatic) .....	7
Motors .....	22	Water heaters .....	27
Nursing homes .....	6	Water heater time clocks .....	36
Oil burners .....	82	Warehouses .....	1

Respectfully submitted,

JAMES F. O'DOWD,

Inspector of Wires

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF SELECTMEN

At a special meeting on March 5, 1957, the Board was organized as follows:

Lawrence Drew, Chairman  
Gilbert M. Lothrop, Secretary  
James E. Calvin  
Boyd H. Stewart, Clerk

Regular meetings were held every Monday evening except during the summer months when they were held every other Monday evening, with special meetings being called whenever necessary. Each week the Reading Chronicle has been furnished with information of importance and interest to the townspeople. The reports of departments under the jurisdiction of this Board appear on other pages of this report.

The Reading Community Center has been opened and is occupied by the following tenants: Massachusetts National Guard, Y.M.C.A., Girl Scouts, Board of Public Welfare, Reading Woman's Club and James E. Calvin, who rents his space to various civic and fraternal organizations subject to the approval of this Board. Renovations to the old high school building have been extensive. It is busy every night, and we are sure that the people of the Town of Reading will derive a great deal of pleasure in the use of this Community Center.

During the past year the Selectmen met several times with the committee of town employees and representatives of insurance companies regarding Group Insurance, and the contract was duly awarded, after bids were considered, to the Boston Mutual Life Insurance Company and the Massachusetts Blue Cross and Blue Shield.

On July 19, 1957, a deed to the old Center School was delivered and occupancy surrendered to the Old South Methodist Church, and with the removal of this building another historic land mark has been removed.

In August a formal complaint was made to the Massachusetts Department of Public Health alleging a nuisance odor exists in this area and requesting immediate steps be taken to bring about a cessation of the condition. We have been assured that the problem will be brought to a satisfactory solution.

Due to the razing of Security Hall, it was necessary to find new polling places, and arrangements were made with the School Committee so that the voting was carried on in the following places: Precinct 1, Pearl St. School; Precinct 2 and 3, Joshua Eaton School; Precinct 4, Memorial High School.

The new Hose 2 Fire Station on Woburn Street was completed and dedicated in September with fitting exercises. We feel that this modern fire station will add greatly to the protection of the west side of town and will be large enough to accommodate the needs of the town for many years.



The Board again sponsored the United Nations Day observance which was held this year on October 24 at the Joshua Eaton School.

The Selectmen took an active part in opposing the drastic cutting of passenger service requested by the D. P. U. for the Boston and Maine Railroad.

In many towns the Board of Selectmen has complete control of all departments. As you know, this is not the case in Reading. As Selectmen of this town, we are frequently called upon and asked to correlate the activities of various departments, and we have always tried to accept this duty if we thought it was to the benefit of all concerned. We feel that the co-operation of the various town boards with us has been outstanding. We wish to express our appreciation to each one with whom we have worked during the past year and also to the Finance Committee for the splendid co-operation they have given us. We would again like to take this opportunity to thank the Police Reserve Association and the Auxiliary Fire Department for the valuable service they have rendered throughout the year.

Respectfully submitted,

GILBERT M. LOTHROP, Secretary

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## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF HEALTH

Board of Selectmen

Reading, Mass.

Gentlemen

We can report 1957 as a healthy year for our town.

In the field of Infectious Disease control your Board continued its aggressive program of immunization against Poliomyelitis, Diphtheria, Pertussis, Tetanus, Rabies, Smallpox and Asian Influenza through School and Health Department Clinics and the active private practice of all local physicians. Tuberculosis is still with us: attack is by hospitalization, case finding, home follow up care and education.

In sanitation, through our inspectors, we have supervision of new and old plumbing installations and sewerage disposal; inspection and testing of milk and food, inspection and education of restaurants and food handlers. Study and abatement of nuisances, mosquito control.

In the field of preventive medicine our care of Premature infants, Dental Clinic and Well Baby Clinic have been active.

Garbage collection has been very satisfactory, studies of disposal by incineration are underway.

C. R. BAISLEY, M.D.

E. M. HALLIGAN, M.D.

C. F. PARKER

## REPORT OF THE RECREATION COMMITTEE

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1957

To the Citizens of Reading

The Recreation Committee submits herewith its annual report.

### Summer Program

Each year more youngsters take advantage of the town program and find it highly satisfactory. The range of activities attempt to reach all the various abilities and talents of the Reading youngsters.

A regular playground day in Reading comprises baseball for juniors, seniors, midgets and sub-midgets, softball, basketball, swimming, circle games, story hours, crafts, volleyball, and table games. There are highly organized periods of intensive activity as well as low organized times when playgrounders engage in supervised apparatus play or in games such as Truth or Consequences, jump rope or guessing contests.

Special events figure largely in our local park scheme. They highlight or provide an interesting twist to the weekly program. Some of the events to find favor with the boys and girls were two Wingaersheek Beach trips, teenager dances, outdoor movies of selected cartoons, Big Fun Days under the sponsorship of the Chamber of Commerce, fishing jamboree, campfire and community sing, junior olympics, novelty field day and Carnival.

Each week of the nine weeks pattern of summer fun has a theme. The idea is carried out to a culmination show on a park basis or in a town-wide event. Indians and cowboys, pets, dolls, pilgrims, hobby, treasure hunts, stuffed animals, decathlons, cookouts and track meets were a few of the categories.

Craftwork is a very important part of the playground plan. A full-time supervisor schedules a bi-weekly visit to each area. In addition, each play leader does some handwork. The more intricate and complicated craftsmanship of textile painting, tile work, wood carving, or leatherwork is promoted by the supervisor while the play leader handles the more simple projects such as clay, pot holders, fingerpaints and Indian bead work.

Instruction in tennis, baseball, softball, swimming and basketball is offered at a definite time. As a result of these many youngsters earned their beginners swim badges or have become real tennis enthusiasts. Basic skills and techniques of baseball were taught to boys six years and older. Clinics were held for older boys. Senior and junior high boys participated in the morning baseball league. Girls worked out in softball and the older young men met evenings to play basketball.

## **Winter Program**

This year, four areas will be used for skating purposes. Two at Birch Meadow, one at Sturgis Park and one at Memorial Park will be in operation this winter. There will be lights at the general skating rinks at Sturgis and Memorial. The Recreation Committee is planning to provide supervision in these areas.

## **Staff Policy**

To carry out this extensive list of events, a capable mature staff is secured. Park personnel are trained youth workers of college age or older. These people work under the close supervision of John Pacino, Recreation Director.

## **Appreciation**

Many town groups have immeasurably aided the summer recreation department. The Reading Chronicle has enabled us to extend our message through a series of informative articles, pictures, and stories. The Board of Public Works through their Superintendent James Putnam, has answered all requests in a courteous and prompt manner. The School Department under the direction of Superintendent Robert Perry has been extremely co-operative in all ways. To those previously mentioned and to all others who assisted the recreation program, the Recreation Committee wishes to express an appreciative thanks.

The Recreation Committee feels that the following items should be given top priority for local recreational planning and development — wading pool at Memorial Park, swimming pool, lights for softball fields at Birch Meadow, land graded and necessary equipment to establish a playground at Glen Meadow, replacement of swings at major parks.

Respectfully submitted,

HERBERT M. RIXON, Chairman  
C. SUMNER TEEL, Secretary  
H. LEE DONLEY  
NEWELL H. MORTON  
ALBERT CHISHOLM  
RICHARD GALE  
DOMENICK ZANNI, JR.  
WILLIAM WILLSON, JR.  
BARBARA WINKLER

**ANNUAL REPORT NO. 90**  
**For the Year 1957**  
**READING PUBLIC LIBRARY**

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**APPRAISAL — AND CHALLENGE:—** Growing demands upon the Reading Public Library prompted the Board of Trustees to call for a special study and the resulting appraisal indicates immediate steps to be taken if the Library is to keep up with modern trends in its field of educational service.

While the Trustees felt that the Library was facing up to its public-service duties, they also felt that there were places where it might fall short of the advances that other libraries have made. The confidence in the Library's service to the public was upheld to the board's great satisfaction. The shortcomings were disclosed as somewhat greater than suspected — and this came as a distinct shock.

In order to obtain a complete assessment of the Reading Public Library's place in its field, the Trustees asked for a survey by specialists from the Massachusetts Division of Library Extension. This was conducted early in November, without cost to the town, by Alice M. Cahill, supervisor of field services, and Marie Sullivan, public library consultant.

**FINANCIAL SUPPORT LAGS:—** The report on the survey comes to the point quickly in summarizing the analysis of library service in the Town of Reading. It says:

"In making a report on any library, comparisons can be drawn between the local library's performances and those in towns of comparable size. The statistical table appended to this report is compiled from the latest available returns received by the State Division of Library Extension from the libraries in the Commonwealth. It will be noted that Reading does not show up favorably in this quantitative comparison."

The survey notes that quantity and quality of service and activities are closely related to financial support and that in the statistical table Reading's 1956 per capita library expenditures is the lowest. The report quotes the American Library Association:

"Libraries serving communities of less than 100,000 population will have to provide substantially more than three dollars per capita to achieve minimum adequacy."

The local survey finds that Reading provided \$1.57 per capita for public library in 1956. This is considerably lower than the state's average \$2.88 per capita library expenditure in communities serving in excess of 10,000 people.

**GOOD LIBRARY-USE TOWN:—** Reading is seen as a good library-use community. While there are 18 manufacturing concerns listed, the town is still rated as a residential community since these firms employ less than a total of 600 persons. The report notes further:

That the town's proportion of persons engaged in professions is higher than the average in other towns of the Boston metropolitan area;

That the median number of school years completed by Reading residents is 12.3 — higher than the median figure for other towns in the Boston metropolitan area;

That in 1956 more than 50 per cent of the high school graduates went on for additional educational training and of this number 26.5 per cent went to degree-granting colleges;

That the median family income in Reading is much higher than the median income for the Boston metropolitan area and considerably higher than the state figure.

**MORE CHILDREN'S BOOKS:—** The book collection is cited as "adequate" with the adult reference collection termed "excellent." The spending of about one-third of the appropriation on children's books draws the recommendation that this be extended to 38 or 40 per cent until the juvenile collection approximates about one-fourth of the Library's holdings. It is also recommended that the juvenile book collection be extended from 7,800 to 9,000 volumes.

Annual acquisitions should be at the rate of one book per five townspeople, according to the report, and it is recommended that the annual book budget be increased to meet this requirement.

It is also noted that the Reading Public Library has been slow to discard books and recommends a more ruthless weeding in order to conserve space and keep the collection more alive. The matter of periodicals taking up shelf space is also discussed and the suggestion made that no more than three years of back issues be kept and that neighboring libraries be contacted in a cooperative arrangement for storing and circulating back copies of more frequently used magazines. It is pointed out that Readingites who want back issues of most magazines can avail themselves of the collection in the Boston Public Library.

**NEWSPAPER FILE COMMENDED:—** The file of the Reading Chronicle at the Library is commended in that it is the only complete file of the local paper and it is stored in a fire-resistant vault. It is recommended, however, that the microfilming of the newspaper would insure preservation of valuable record and help solve a storage problem.

The Library's picture file and pamphlet file are commended for their extent and usefulness and suggestions are given for improvement of such features.

**NEW FIELDS EXPLORED:—** The newer fields of films and music recordings are being recommended to libraries and the report says:

"The Reading Public Library is to be commended for expanding its services to include an excellent collection of recordings."

It further recommends that a film-loan service be established whereby educational films could be loaned to civic groups. This could be done by affiliating with a public library film cooperative such as is in operation through the Massachusetts Department of Education.



The survey recommends the updating of the cataloguing system with a view to saving space and still not derogating from the aids in book finding and selection.

**PERSONNEL PROBLEMS:—** Chief among the Library's problems has been the securing of enough competent members for the staff. The survey considers this and the salary question together, pointing out that the American Library Association standards recommend that about 67 per cent of the budget be allocated for salaries but that the 1956 figures show that Reading had only 55 per cent so allocated. And the report says:

"Actually, the salaries paid those on the professional staff are well below the national average and will prove a serious obstacle to the future recruitment of competent staff."

(This the Board of Trustees had already found to be true.)

Continuing, the report says:

"Thus the entire budget for public library service in Reading needs to be increased to the point where 67 per cent of the upwardly revised budget will represent adequate staff salaries."

(This upward adjustment of salaries the board has been attempting for a number of years.)

The survey sees the need for more personnel and for more space in which to house expanding library functions.

**TRUSTEES' VIEWS CONFIRMED:—** The Trustees have been aware of the needs pointed out in the survey's general conclusions, but the consultant team, with a professionally analytical view and selective statistical presentation, gave stronger impact to the expression of those needs. The consultants gave as their opinion:

"The Town of Reading has a type of library service which presents rather startling contrasts. The physical plant and the book collection which serve adults and young people of the community are well above the average. It is Reading's public library service to children which has not kept pace with other aspects of its library program. It is recommended that immediate steps be taken to determine the most practical way in which the building can be enlarged to house an adequate children's room, which can then be stocked with an adequate juvenile collection. Adequate service to children requires a separate room for story-hour activities, book talks, films, and similar programs.

"The Reading Public Library's responsibility to promote, guide, and stimulate the use of its books and related materials has been greatly hampered by an extremely small full-time staff and the complete lack of meeting-room facilities for film forums, discussion groups, music appreciation hours, and similar activities for children, young people, and adults. With a necessary increase in the full-time staff, the library's public relations activities and direct contacts with community groups can be developed to effect maximum use of the Reading Public Library's excellent book resources."

**THE FORWARD LOOK:**—The full report of the consultants has served to encourage the Trustees as well as the librarian and staff to continue efforts already projected.

More extensive facilities for the juvenile department were effected this past year by converting a section of the stack room into a reference department for junior high pupils. They still must do their studying in the children's room. The plan to break a door through from the stacks to the children's room did not prove structurally feasible.

In her report to the Trustees, Miss Anna R. Turner, librarian, points out that there is no need yet for a full-time worker for the junior high group but the need is definitely growing. With many duties in the juvenile department being undertaken by the children's librarian, it appears that a full-time assistant could be utilized. Mrs. Georgianna Merrill has complete charge of the children's room and the librarian's report points out:

"That means all the book selection, with studying of catalogues; all of the cataloguing, discarding, and reference work. She supervises all the desk work, shelving and reading of shelves, and the work of those who do the typing and manual preparation of new books. She has a continuous job of checking for repairs. Her time is fully occupied."

With a full-time assistant there would be time gained for Mrs. Merrill to take on closer school contact, for assisting parents whose children have reading problems, and time for promotional work.

**KEY STAFF POST FILLED:**— Considerable time was given during the past year to find a trained worker who could take over some of the administrative details. Prospects for the post were not plentiful and the search at one point required correspondence to Florida where a likely aspirant seemed available. In cases where possible candidates were found they accepted positions with other libraries at salaries larger than was being offered in Reading.

In November the board hired Joseph J. Schmuck for the position. Mr. Schmuck is a graduate of Bowdoin College and has a Master of Arts degree from Brown University as well as having completed graduate courses at Harvard. At present he is studying for his degree at the Simmons College Library School.

He had three years in the Army and spent two years teaching. For eight months he was employed on the staff of the Stoneham Public Library and for part of that period was the acting head librarian.

**SERVICES EXPAND:**— This past year's statistical table shows that circulation and registration of new borrowers continue to grow. The success of the music recordings is interesting and, while this department received prominent publicity, there are some patrons who are just discovering this activity.

Despite the lack of a convenient meeting room, the Library has been able to foster discussion groups by using the children's room during evening hours.

The matter of more rooms for library facilities has been considered and a proposal made that the Library be given consideration when the town takes on the building of additional executive office space. It would seem possible that quarters could then be arranged that would house a children's library, music appreciation division, an audio-visual department, or other specialized sections that would have full-time supervision. While now in the long-range planning stage, this may become a needed venture sooner than the Town anticipates. .

**STATISTICAL REPORT:—** Some idea of the growth of patronage at the Library can be seen in the figures from the librarian's reports of the past three years. (See the accountant's report for a breakdown of Library expenses and a statement of trust funds.)

Books Purchased	1955	1956	1957
Adult .....	1,093	1,222	1,283
Juvenile .....	634	729	768
Gifts .....	336	155	147
Withdrawn .....	1,268	344	831
Total books and hand .....	36,346	38,118	39,485
Circulation			
Adult .....	67,848	77,106	82,748
Juvenile .....	32,150	37,563	42,829
Miscellaneous .....	4,256	2,162	2,857
Total .....	104,254	116,831	128,434
New Borrowers .....	987	1,183	1,105

**RIISING SALARIES AND COSTS:—**As the consultant's survey and the librarian's report point out, and as the Trustees are constantly aware through their monthly contact with expenditures, the vital point is in the financing of library services.

The cost of periodicals and books continues to rise and this coming year sees a considerable advance in the price of recordings. Materials and labor for maintenance of the physical plant bring items of added expense. These are all necessary to the Library's program.

Competent employees are becoming more difficult to obtain as library work gains firmer footing in the professional field. The call is for trained professionals and the salary scale has long since gone beyond that which the Town of Reading has been offering. The Trustees have attempted, over the past few years to lift the scale and place the Library in a competitive position. This year they are asking for a salary budget that more nearly approaches the facts of existence in the field of library service. The consultants' report did not prompt this move but it does strengthen the board's conviction that the request is proper.

The day has apparently gone when a local resident can be asked to assume responsibility of a library position with no prospect of anything beyond moderate pay. The post of librarian is recognized as a career and professional standards have been set. There has even been talk of legislation to require libraries to hire in executive posts only persons meeting stated professional requirements.

This personnel problem has long been apparent to the Trustees of the Reading Public Library as it has been discussed at meetings of the Massachusetts Library Trustees Association. It is not inadvisedly, therefore, that the board is asking the town for a substantial improvement in the salary scale.

Miss Turner's retirement in 1958 complicates the personnel problem. She has given many years of loyal service, and has made a host of friends for the Reading Public Library. She will be missed by borrowers, staff, and Trustees. Her retirement has been well earned along with the deep gratitude of citizens and town officials.

**TAXPAYERS AND THE BUDGET:**— The members of the Board of Trustees are taxpayers and appreciate the meaning of a frugal budget. There is a reasonable argument, however, that a fully adequate budget be presented in order that the Town may have the opportunity to provide itself with truly all-around adequate library facilities. The town cannot have that privilege if constantly pared budgets are presented year after year.

But whatever funds may be allotted through the Finance Committee and by vote of Town Meeting, the Board of Trustees will continue its practice of endeavoring to get the best possible use from the money at hand.

### **The Board of Library Trustees**

KATHERINE C. PIERCE  
Chairman

H. IRENE LATHAM  
Secretary

C. NELSON BISHOP  
ROBERT E. STEWART

SYDNEY M. HODSON  
WILLIAM H. DIAMOND

Because of removal from town Neil C. Robinson, former chairman, resigned from the board after several years of valuable, constructive service. The vacancy was filled with the appointment of Mr. Diamond who is seeking endorsement of the voters at the 1958 Town Election.

## BOARD OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

Edouard N. Dube, Chairman	Term Expires	1960
M. Russell Meikle, Secretary	" "	1959
William P. Pierpont	" "	1958
Ernest E. Brown	" "	1960
Stanley F. Maxwell	" "	1958
Lawrence A. Partelow	" "	1959

Superintendent

HAROLD F. DAVIS

Office

Room 5, Municipal Building

### SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To The Board of Cemetery Trustees,  
Town of Reading, Mass.

Gentlemen:

The Superintendent's Report on the operation of the two Town Cemeteries, Laurel Hill and Forest Glen, for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1957, and the Department's 220th year of operation, (first burial Dec. 7, 1737), is herewith submitted.

Our records show 97 interments and 1 disinterment for the year. The statistics for the calendar year 1957 are as follows:

	Laurel Hill	Forest Glen	Total
Interments .....	39	55	94
Cremation Interments .....	1	2	3
Disinterments .....	0	1	1
Foundations:			
Monuments .....	2	31	33
Markers .....	22	7	29
Graves Repaired .....	21	5	26
Lots Sold:			
4 Grave .....	0	10	10
3 Grave .....	0	10	10
2 Grave .....	0	17	17
Single Graves .....	0	5	5
Baby Graves .....	0	4	4
Baby Graves to Veteran Agent, gratis	0	2	2
Veteran Graves, gratis .....	0	1	1

Six old lots had perpetual care put on them and five old lots had additional care put on, in Laurel Hill Cemetery, and one lot in Forest Glen had additional care put on it, during 1957.



The total number of lots and graves sold and interments made to date are as follows:

Cemetery	Lots	Single Graves	Interments
Laurel Hill .....	1415	1142	7046
Forest Glen .....	438	135	595
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Total .....	1853	1277	7641

At Laurel Hill, Cedar Path was filled in and turfed. Due to the drought, extensive repairs were not attempted.

VANDALISM at Laurel Hill made its appearance twice during the year. A total of 46 monuments were toppled over and some were broken. Those guilty in one incident were apprehended. The Court not demanding restitution to the Town, caused the resetting of these monuments to be paid from Cemetery Funds.

At Forest Glen, four stone bounds were set to permanently mark the exchanges of Lots of land between the Reading Acres, Inc. and the Inhabitants of the Town of Reading. The Forest Glen Road entrance was further widened this year five feet to the East.

At this time appreciation is expressed to the other Departments of the Town for their cooperation.

The financial statement will appear in the report of the Town Accountant.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. DAVIS

Superintendent

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#### REPORT OF THE BOARD OF CEMETERY TRUSTEES

The Report of the Superintendent as submitted by him is hereby approved by the the Board of Cemetery Trustees and constitutes its Report to the Town.

EDOUARD N. DUBE, Chairman  
M. RUSSELL MEIKLE, Secretary  
WILLIAM P. PIERPONT  
ERNEST E. BROWN  
STANLEY F. MAXWELL  
LAWRENCE A. PARTELOW

Board of Cemetery Trustees

## REPORT OF CUSTODIAN OF SOLDIERS' AND SAILORS' GRAVES

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January 2, 1958

To The Board of Selectmen,  
Town of Reading, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I herewith submit my report as Custodian of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves for the year ending December 31, 1957. This report is predicated upon the requirements of Sec. 9, Chapter 115 of the General Laws of Massachusetts.

Where Veterans of the armed services have served in more than one war, insurrection or conflict, the following listing gives the Veteran credit for only one:

Veterans	Credited Service
41	Revolutionary War
12	War of 1812
2	Mexican War
291	Civil War
1	Indian War
27	Spanish War
122	World War I
27	Mass. State Guard Service in W. W. I.
37	World War II
4	Korean Conflict
1	U. S. Air Force

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Total      565

Appropriation for 1957 .....		\$ 1,300.00
Pay Roll .....	\$ 1,282.80	
Two American Flags .....	11.46	\$ 1,294.26
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Balance .....		\$ 5.74

There were seven Veterans interred during 1957 in the Town Cemeteries as follows:

### Spanish War

John N. Robertson, Lot No. 1012, Laurel Hill, died Sept. 6, 1957, buried Sept. 10, 1957.

### World War I

Charles A. Wickens, Lot No. 1066, Laurel Hill, died Mar. 24, 1957, buried Mar. 27, 1957.

Joseph M. Warren, Lot No. 278, Forest Glen, died Mar. 31, 1957, buried Apr. 3, 1957.

Edward H. Malzahn, Lot No. 331, Forest Glen, died Apr. 1, 1957, buried Apr. 4, 1957.

Reuben LeFave, Grave No. 132, Veteran Plot, Forest Glen, died May 19, 1957, buried May 22, 1957.

Norman P. Charles, Lot No. 875, Laurel Hill, died June 26, 1957, buried July 1, 1957.

Harold E. Danforth, Lot No. 578, Laurel Hill, died Oct. 10, 1957, buried Oct. 14, 1957.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD F. DAVIS

Custodian of Soldiers' and Sailors' Graves

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### AGENT OF VETERANS' BENEFITS

January 7, 1958

Board of Selectmen,  
Reading, Massachusetts

Gentlemen:

I respectfully submit my annual report as Veterans' Agent and Director of Veterans' Services for the year 1957.

The past year we have aided fifty-one cases varying from an individual to a family of nine, and we carry a monthly load of fourteen cases.

Medical expenses for dependents of veterans has increased greatly and indications seem to point to a further increase.

Employment has been good the past year and cash aid has been largely to the older dependents of the veterans.

The increasing number of veterans who have moved into Reading but have not yet acquired a settlement here, may make a greater demand for Veterans' Benefits as they gain a settlement. We base this prediction on the number of veterans who have applied for aid but whom we are obliged to refer to nearby cities and towns where their settlement still holds.

The demand for Veterans' Services, that which gives advice, reference and contacts without financial aid continues to be of great help to veterans and their dependents.

We make thousands of photo copies in the course of their seeking benefits due from the Federal Government, this without expense to them and with prompt service.

Pensioners are required by the Veterans' Administration to file annual statements of income each year and may come for help and advice in this matter.

We take this opportunity to thank those in the employ of the town who have been of service to us and the veterans and their dependents.

Respectfully submitted,

CHARLES W. H. SMITH

## REPORT OF WELFARE AGENT

To the members of the Board of Public Welfare, Bureau of Old Age Assistance and Citizens of the Town of Reading. The following report of activities, changes, expenditures and reimbursements for the year ending December 31, 1957 is respectfully submitted:

Members of the Board of Public Welfare and Bureau of Old Age Assistance:

Newell H. Morton, Chairman

Daniel L. Chamberlain, Secretary Board of Public Welfare

Donald C. McKie, Secretary Bureau of Old Age Assistance

Staff Members of the Welfare Office:

Quincy B. Park, Agent

Gladys M. Wilson, Social Worker

Virginia C. Smith, Social Worker

Anne A. Bleau, Senior Clerk

Elsie M. Kriehn, Junior Clerk-Typist

Members of the Board of Public Welfare and Bureau of Old Age Assistance have met weekly throughout the past year to approve administrative and assistance payrolls. Meetings by the Members have also been held each month to act upon applications for assistance, review increases, decreases for monthly payments.

During the year a total of 67 applications were received. After thorough investigation by Social Workers or Agent, 55 applications were approved, seven were denied due to ineligibility, and five were voluntarily withdrawn.

Effective from August 1, 1957 a change in the method of payment for medical expenses was made mandatory by the State Dept. of Public Welfare, in all categories of assistance in which the Federal and State participated by way of reimbursements. As a result of this change some medical expenses are paid directly to client by cash, who in turn pay the doctors, dentists, and others for services rendered. There are also some medical payments which are paid directly to the vendor by the Welfare Office.

Another change was an increase of 5.7% for all clients in cash payments to allow some compensation to offset rising prices in food, fuel, rentals, etc. These changes will be shown in comparison figures and detail of expenditures for each category as shown in this report.

### Old Age Assistance

	1956	1957
Case Load (monthly average) .....	185.3	179.8

### Expenditures

Cash Grants .....	\$112,960.48	\$135,486.31
Material Grants (medical) .....	80,923.36	61,175.08
Payments to other Cities and Towns .....	4,511.29	4,053.26
Totals .....	\$196,395.13	\$200,714.65

It will be noted, expenditures for cash payments made in 1957 are \$22,525.83 in excess of the cash payments made in 1956. Medical pay-

ments are \$19,748.28 less than was expended in 1956. These differences in cash and medical payments are explained as due to the changes in method of payment as described in this report.

The case load in Old Age Assistance was decreased by 5.5% in 1957. Average monthly payments were increased from \$87.13 as paid in 1956 to \$91.15 in 1957.

In estimating financial needs for Old Age Assistance in 1958, we are requesting \$5500 less than was appropriated in 1957, due to the decrease in case load.

#### **Aid to Dependent Children**

Case Load for 1956 (monthly average)	18 for 62 persons
Case Load for 1957 (monthly average)	18.9 for 66.3 persons

#### **Expenditures**

	1956	1957
Cash payments .....	\$ 23,611.88	\$ 28,760.47
Material Grants (medical) .....	2,362.57	2,271.21
Total .....	\$ 25,974.45	\$ 31,031.68

During the past year six applications for assistance in this category were received. Three of these applicants were being aided with funds from General Relief and as eligibility requirements were met, these cases were transferred to Aid to Dependent Children. Two applications were approved and one was voluntarily withdrawn. Due to closings of existing cases for various reasons, total monthly case load increased only .09%. Average monthly payments per case decreased slightly from \$188.66 paid in 1956 to \$187.60 in 1957.

#### **Disability Assistance**

Case Load 1956 (monthly average) .....	12.8 cases
Case Load 1957 (monthly average) .....	10.3 cases

#### **Expenditures**

	1956	1957
Cash Grants .....	\$ 9,513.27	\$ 10,182.03
Material Grants (medical) .....	3,774.03	6,308.83
Total .....	\$ 13,287.30	\$ 16,490.86

Seven applications for assistance from this category were received. Five applications were approved, one denied due to ineligibility and one voluntarily withdrawn.

Due to several cases on Disability Assistance being transferred to Old Age Assistance rolls and some to other communities, the average monthly case load decreased from 12.8 cases assisted in 1956 to 10.3 cases aided in 1957. Average monthly cost per case increased from \$103.88 in 1956 to \$133.42 paid in 1957.

#### **General Relief**

Case load for 1956 (monthly average) .....	10 for 16 persons
Case load for 1957 (monthly average) .....	11.3 for 19.9 persons



### Expenditures

Cash payments .....	\$ 8,153.40	\$ 8,381.42
Material Grants and Burials .....	1,025.83	3,137.64
Nursing Homes .....	882.45	448.00
State Institutions .....	596.83	None
Payments to other Cities and Towns .....	3,330.03	3,502.25
Total .....	<u>\$ 13,988.54</u>	<u>\$ 15,469.31</u>

### Reimbursements to Town Treasurer

#### Old Age Assistance

Source	Amount	Accounted	Credited
State Reimbursement .....	\$ 81,864.18	Estimated	Receipts
Other Cities and Towns .....	1,986.37	Estimated	Receipts
Federal Grants .....	80,610.75	Aid	Account
Balance from Appropriation .....			
not expended .....	4,194.52	Estimated	Receipts

#### Aid to Dependent Children

State Reimbursement .....	\$ 9,729.89	Estimated	Receipts
Federal Grants .....	14,365.89	Aid	Account
Balance from Appropriation .....			
not expended .....	1,802.67	Estimated	Receipts

#### Disability Assistance

State Reimbursement .....	\$ 8,021.47	Estimated	Receipts
Federal Grants .....	4,694.58	Aid	Account
Balance from Appropriation .....			
not expended .....	2,478.73	Estimated	Receipts

#### General Relief

State unsettled cases .....	\$ 3,178.51	Estimated	Receipts
Other Cities and Towns .....	937.03	Estimated	Receipts
Balance from Appropriation .....			
not expended (Aid) .....	456.32	Estimated	Receipts
Balance from Appropriation .....			
Not expended (Adm.) .....	337.16	Estimated	Receipts

#### Summary

State Reimbursements for all categories of Assistance credited to Surplus Revenue Account .....	\$102,794.05
Reimbursements from other Cities and Towns credited to Surplus Revenue Account .....	2,923.40
Reimbursements from balances of appropriations in all categories not expended .....	9,269.40
Total .....	<u>\$114,986.85</u>
Federal Reimbursements credited to various assistance accounts .....	\$ 99,671.22

## REPORT OF THE TOWN COUNSEL

February 17, 1958

To the Law Committee of the Town of Reading:

I submit my report as Town Counsel for the year 1957 as follows:

The work of the Town Counsel continued to increase during the year 1957.

Meetings were held with the Highland School Rebuilding Committee and the architect in connection with the procedures to be followed for the reconstruction of that school; contracts and specifications and bid forms were examined; opinions were given in connection with bids and sub-bids received; conferences were held with the bidding contractors and the Department of Labor and Industries for the Commonwealth, and the Committee and architect; and the contract with the contractor was examined and approved.

Conferences were held with the Insurance Committee and Insurance Advisory Committee in connection with the damage suffered by the Town as a result of the fire in the Highland School and the payment to be made by the insurance companies having the fire coverage for this building; conferences were also held with representatives of the insurance companies; an insurance appraiser was retained to protect the interest of the Town and conferences were held with him and inspection of the building; opinions were given to the Insurance Committee in connection with co-insurance and settlement of the Town's loss; settlement papers were examined and approved.

The hearings before the Department of Public Utilities in connection with the new rate schedules of the Municipal Light Department were concluded. A brief was filed in opposition to the complaints of the Towns of Wilmington and Lynnfield. These complaints were dismissed and the new schedule of rates was approved by the Department.

The Municipal Light Department was represented at the hearings before the Department of Public Utilities in connection with the proposed change in the fuel adjustment charge and the proposed change in rate schedules of Boston Edison. These hearings extended over a period of six days and are not yet concluded. In preparation for the hearings it was necessary to confer with the Municipal Light Board and witnesses.

Negotiations were completed for Jacob Way and all deeds for the land taken by the Town were recorded.

Conferences were held with counsel representing the Methodist Church of the deeds prepared and recorded for the conveyance of title of the Center School property to the Church.

The leases with the organizations occupying rooms in the Community Center were prepared and signed, following conferences with the Selectmen.

Two lawsuits brought against the Town for personal injuries were settled and releases prepared and signed. Two other lawsuits for

damages resulting from the taking of land for drainage and slope easements were also settled and releases signed. One suit alleging a defect of the highway was tried and a decision rendered in favor of the Town. There are presently three lawsuits pending against the Town, alleging defects of the streets or sidewalks. Negotiations for the settlement of one of these claims have been completed subject to the approval of the next Town Meeting. There are also pending six claims for personal injuries alleged to have resulted from sidewalk or street defects.

Two appeals were taken during the year from decisions of the Board of Appeal. One case is on the trial list. The other case has been tried and a decision rendered affirming the Board's decision. An appeal has been taken to the Supreme Judicial Court.

A lawsuit against the Municipal Light Department arising out of construction of the underground cable in Lynnfield was defended and a decision rendered in favor of the Town.

The litigation involving the construction of the High School sewer was terminated.

There are three other lawsuits pending against the Town: (1) a case involving construction of sewers and alleged extra payments; (2) a case involving payment of funds for the grading and development of Birch Meadow; and (3) a mandamus action against the Selectmen by a former police officer. In each case pleadings have been filed and reports made to the Board or Department involved.

Conferences have been held with the Massachusetts Department of Public Health in connection with the air pollution and odors believed to arise in Woburn. A formal written complaint was made to this Department together with requests for a public hearing.

Meetings were held with the Selectmen in connection with the use of Longwood Road by trucks hauling gravel from a pit in Woburn. Titles to land in the vicinity of this road have been examined and conferences held with other Boards of the Town and the Massachusetts Department of Public Works.

Title to the John Street Laundry property was examined and conferences held with counsel representing parties having an interest in that property in connection with the abatement of an alleged nuisance and dangerous condition. Notices were prepared for a hearing by the Selectmen to determine the condition of the property in accordance with the appropriate statute.

Deeds for the conveyance of tax title land have been recorded and redemption certificates prepared.

Suit was commenced for the Welfare Department to recover from an Estate for aid given to the deceased, and negotiations conducted with counsel for the Estate and correspondence with the State Welfare Board.

Articles and motions have been prepared for the Annual and Special Town Meetings.

During the year there were many conferences with the Board of Public Works, and opinions rendered in connection with contracts, bonds, easements, subdivision, the dump, control of water use, betterments, and other matters.

I have attended on Monday evenings the regular meetings of the Board of Selectmen, rendered opinions to all Town Boards and Committees, attended meetings and hearings of Boards and Committees when requested so to do, investigated accident cases and claims against the Town, prepared decisions in dog cases, prepared the necessary papers for changes in traffic regulations, prepared new by-laws for presentation to Town Meeting, prepared amendments to the Zoning By-Laws, collected funds due the Town, and performed all other services requested of me as Town Counsel.

Respectfully submitted,

CARL H. AMON, JR.

Town Counsel

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### REPORT OF PLANNING BOARD

Weekly Monday evening meetings of the undersigned members of your Planning Board have been held in Room 17 of the Municipal Building throughout the year.

During the year we have:

(1) Held Public Hearings for both the Annual and Special Town meetings, entered various articles in the Town Warrants for zoning changes.

(2) Interviewed professional planning consultants in preparation of starting a comprehensive study for a Master Plan for the Town.

(3) Filed for financial assistance in Master Planning from the Federal Government under the Housing Act of 1954.

(4) Selected an organization known as Planning and Renewal Associates of Cambridge, Mass., professional planning consultants, to carry out these studies when approval is received from the Federal Government and the Town.

(5) Met with various citizens of the Town, answered inquiries, and attended Hearings of other Town Boards whenever the Planning of Reading was concerned.

(6) Received the resignation of Benjamin M. Hartshorn, Jr. and submitted the name of C. Dewey Smith for appointment to fill the vacancy.

(7) Acted with other Town Boards and Officials as required.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD W. BATTEN, Chairman

WILLIAM D. SOMMERS, Secretary

ROBERT G. CLINCH

W. FRANKLIN BURNHAM, JR.

C. DEWEY SMITH

## REPORT OF BOARD OF APPEAL

January 14, 1958

To The Board of Selectmen  
Reading, Massachusetts

The undersigned submit their report for the Board of Appeal of the Town for the year 1957.

The Board heard 29 cases on 13 hearing days. All were for variations of the Zoning By-Laws. Of the total, 18 were granted, 8 were denied, 2 were dismissed, and 1 was continued. At the close of the year, all petitions brought before the Board had been heard and decisions rendered.

GERALD E. FOSBROKE, Chairman  
PHILIP R. WHITE, JR., Secretary  
ERNEST L. NIGRO

Board of Appeal

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## REPORT OF THE PLUMBING INSPECTOR

To the Board of Health  
Gentlemen:

The annual report of the plumbing inspector for the year ending December 31, 1957 is as follows:

Number of permits issued .....	269
Number of fixtures installed .....	1,476
Gas Storage — Hot water heaters .....	11
Electric Storage — Hot water heaters .....	31
Oil Storage — Hot water heaters .....	1
Hot water tanks .....	10
Tankless heaters .....	103
Water closets .....	294
Lavatories .....	280
Bath tubs .....	166
Showers .....	33
Urinals .....	6
Sinks .....	204
Laundry Trays .....	54
Disposals .....	5
Dish washing machines .....	11
Washing machines .....	55
Drains .....	36
Sewer connections .....	69
Cesspools .....	107
Fees for permits .....	\$ 1,096.50

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH G. SHAW,

Inspector of Plumbing



## REPORT OF THE MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

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Honorable Board of Selectmen,

Reading, Mass.

Gentlemen:

I submit my report as Moth Superintendent for 1957.

The helicopter spraying for the control of Dutch Elm Disease was very satisfactory due to an exceptional pilot and good weather. This spray is also of great assistance in the control of gypsy moth and the early mosquito larva.

Cuttings from one hundred and ninety-three elms were sent to the University of Massachusetts Shade Tree Laboratory to be cultured. One hundred and sixty-six trees were certified as having Dutch Elm Disease. Five of these trees were on the State Highway, these will be removed by the State Highway Department. Twenty-two were town road-side trees, three were on other public property and the remaining one hundred and thirty-six were on private property. All of the trees on public property have been removed and burned. One hundred and eighteen of the private trees have been removed. The remaining eighteen will be removed as soon as the property owners return their release forms.

Foliage wilting is the first indication of this disease. Last summer's drought caused much premature wilting, which made detection very difficult. For this reason I believe there may be infected trees that we have not checked.

There was a slight decrease in the spraying on private property as there were very few Japanese Beetles. The drought condition during the summer did more to eradicate these beetles than any insecticide.

I wish to thank the Honorable Board of Selectmen and all others who have assisted me in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

Moth Superintendent

## REPORT OF THE TREE WARDEN

Honorable Board of Selectmen,  
Reading, Mass.  
Gentlemen:

I submit my report as Tree Warden for 1957.

During the past year this department planted two hundred and sixty-five shade trees. Two hundred and thirty-nine were sugar maples, twenty-two Norway maples and four Lindens.

It was necessary to remove sixty-one trees from the roadside. Seventeen were destroyed by gas leaks, twenty-two elms were removed under the Dutch Elm Disease program. The remaining twenty-two trees were either unsafe or were removed for highway improvements.

In addition to considerable spot trimming we were able to clear the Electric Light wires, removed the dead and low branches on twenty streets. This line clearance was paid for by the Electric Light Department.

I take this opportunity to thank the men of this department, the many citizens and the other town departments who have assisted me in the past year.

Respectfully submitted,

MAURICE H. DONEGAN

Tree Warden

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## INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Town of Reading, Massachusetts  
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report as Inspector of animals for the year January 1, 1957 to January 1, 1958.

Seventy dogs and one cat were quarantined for biting or scratching people, a rather pronounced increase over last year.

The annual inspection of all barns housing livestock, and the livestock in the town was conducted by request of the Division of Livestock Disease Control, disclosing there to be in the town, 33 neat cattle, 13 pigs, 24 horses, 41 sheep and 14 goats. No Contagious infectious diseases were noted.

Very truly yours,

GARDINER A. LESTER, DVM

Inspector of Animals

## REPORT OF INSPECTOR OF BUILDINGS

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen  
Gentlemen:

I hereby submit my report for the year 1957.

119 New one family dwellings at an estimated cost of .....	\$1,408,250.00
54 Alterations and additions to dwellings at a cost of .....	54,425.00
5 Alterations and additions to business properties at an estimated cost of .....	213,200.00
30 New private garages at an estimated cost of .....	31,949.00
4 Signs .....	860.00
3 Business buildings .....	264,000.00
1 Greenhouse .....	1,000.00
1 Toolhouse .....	300.00
1 School repair .....	140,000.00
10 Raze buildings .....	—
1 Move house .....	—

Total estimated cost of all new and remodeled buildings  
for the past year ..... \$2,112,984.00  
Total number of Permits ..... 237

Fees were received in the amount of \$1,577.00. These have been  
turned over to the Town Treasurer and receipts received for same.

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD B. CURRELL,

Inspector of Buildings

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## REPORT OF THE DOG OFFICER

December 31, 1957

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

I herewith submit my report as dog officer to December 31, 1957.

I have canvassed the Town to see that all dogs have been licensed.  
All complaints have been investigated.

For the year ending December 31, 1957, there were 43 unlicensed  
dogs caught.

33 dogs were disposed for the county.

8 dogs were reclaimed by the owners.

2 dogs were sold for the county.

109 dogs were reported lost during the year.

Dead animals picked up off the streets for the Board of Health,  
and disposed of were 72.

At this time I wish to thank the Police Department and all others  
who have helped me.

Respectfully submitted,

WILLIAM H. DEWSNAP, Dog Officer

**REPORT OF THE TREASURER**  
**For the Year Ended December 31, 1957**

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The transactions in the General Cash Account, in summary form, were as follows:

Balance January 1, 1957 .....	\$1,305,017.05
Receipts .....	6,576,547.73
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Total .....	7,881,564.78
Disbursements .....	6,833,786.80
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Balance December 31, 1957 .....	\$1,047,777.98

**Funded Debt**

Outstanding January 1, 1957 .....	\$4,174,000.00
Bonds and Notes Issued in 1957 .....	100,000.00 \$4,274,000.00
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Bonds and Notes Paid in 1957 .....	305,000.00
Outstanding December 31, 1957 .....	3,969,000.00 \$4,274,000.00
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**Loans In Anticipation Of Revenue**

Outstanding January 1, 1957 ....	NONE
Notes Issued in 1957 @ 1.95% .....	\$ 250,000.00 \$ 250,000.00
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Notes Paid in 1957 .....	\$ 250,000.00
Outstanding December 31, 1957 .....	NONE \$ 250,000.00
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A more detailed statement of receipts and disbursements, and a condensed version of my annual report of the trust funds of the Town are presented in the report of the Town Accountant.

PRESTON F. NICHOLS,  
Treasurer

**REPORT OF COLLECTOR OF TAXES**  
**For the Year ended December 31, 1957**

**Taxes and Assessments 1954**

Uncollected December 31, 1956 .....	\$	.00		
Abatements Rescinded .....		4.59		
Interest and Costs Collected .....		1.13		
Paid Treasurer .....			\$	5.72
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....				.00
	\$	5.72	\$	5.72

**Taxes and Assessments 1955**

Uncollected December 31, 1956 .....	\$	10,285.20		
Abatements Rescinded .....		85.09		
Refunds .....		6.81		
Interest and Costs Collected .....		556.29		
Paid Treasurer .....			\$	9,935.99
Abatements .....				80.07
Tax Takings .....				823.72
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....				93.61
	\$	10,933.39	\$	10,933.39

**Taxes and Assessments 1956**

Uncollected December 31, 1956 .....	\$	80,936.56		
Committed 1957 .....		21,941.87		
Refunds .....		1,446.71		
Interest and Costs Collected .....		1,180.10		
Paid Treasurer .....			\$	88,137.37
Abatements .....				6,124.90
Tax Takings .....				916.61
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....				10,326.36
	\$	105,505.24	\$	105,505.24

**Taxes and Assessments 1957**

General Tax Warrant .....	\$2,311,351.87			
Refunds .....	15,864.55			
Abatement Rescinded .....	120.00			
Interest and Costs Collected .....	564.14			
Paid Treasurer .....		\$2,168,450.06		
Abatements .....		65,483.12		
Tax Takings .....		1,501.68		
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....		92,465.70		
	\$2,327,900.56	\$2,327,900.56		



### Sewer Rentals

Uncollected December 31, 1956 .....	\$	3,339.26		
Committed 1957 .....		29,799.76		
Refunds .....		64.03		
Interest and Costs Collected .....		171.58		
Paid Treasurer .....	\$		28,787.81	
Abatements .....			114.24	
Tax Takings .....			50.85	
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....			4,421.73	
	\$	33,374.63	\$	33,374.63

### Highway Betterment

Uncollected December 31, 1956 .....	\$	37,019.30		
Committed 1957 .....		52,074.87		
Refunds .....		391.50		
Interest and Costs Collected .....		2.43		
Paid Treasurer .....	\$		5,769.09	
Abatements .....			4,956.63	
Betterment Apportioned .....			26,758.27	
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....			52,004.11	
	\$	89,488.10	\$	89,488.10
Advanced Payment Apportioned Street .....		4,013.42		
Interest Collected .....		33.23		
Paid Treasurer .....			4,046.65	
	\$	93,534.75	\$	93,534.75

### Sidewalk Betterment

Uncollected December 31, 1956 .....	\$	4,419.60		
Committed 1957 .....		8,539.13		
Paid Treasurer .....	\$		1,967.02	
Abatements .....			140.25	
Betterment Apportioned .....			2,452.58	
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....			8,398.88	
	\$	12,958.73	\$	12,958.73
Advance Payment Apportioned Sidewalk .....		439.40		
Interest Collected .....		1.61		
Paid Treasurer .....			441.01	
	\$	13,399.74	\$	13,399.74

### Sewer Betterment

Uncollected December 31, 1956 .....	\$	23,661.00		
Committed 1957 .....		39,308.08		
Paid Treasurer .....	\$		5,107.11	
Betterment Apportioned .....			19,264.49	
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....			38,597.48	
	\$	62,969.08	\$	62,969.08

Advance Payment Apportioned Sewer .....	2,399.10		
Interest Collected .....	14.85		
Paid Treasurer .....			2,413.95
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	\$ 65,383.03	\$	65,383.03

#### Sewer House Connection

Uncollected December 31, 1956 .....	\$ 14,313.12		
Committed 1957 .....	19,696.59		
Interest Collected .....	16.32		
Paid Treasurer .....		\$	5,855.86
Abatements .....			324.41
Betterment Apportioned .....			9,127.95
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....			18,717.81
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	\$ 34,026.03	\$	34,026.03
Advance Payment Apportioned Sewer H. C. ....	564.28		
Interest Collected .....	3.89		
Paid Treasurer .....			568.17
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	\$ 34,594.20	\$	34,594.20

#### Moth Department

Committed 1957 .....	\$ 3,079.31		
Refund .....	1.00		
Paid Treasurer .....		\$	2,068.31
Abatements .....			12.00
Added to 1957 Real Estate Taxes .....			1,000.00
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	\$ 3,080.31	\$	3,080.31

#### Certificates

Certificates of Municipal Liens .....	\$ 707.00		
Paid Treasurer .....		\$	707.00
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	\$ 707.00	\$	707.00

#### Departmental Accounts

Departmental Tree Work .....	\$ 4,361.92		
Tuition .....	37,650.13		
Public Welfare — General Aid .....	4,115.54		
Old Age Assistance .....	83,850.65		
Snow Plowing .....	239.18		
Main Pipe Extension .....	22,386.10		
Miscellaneous Repairs B.P.W. ....	244.12		
Veteran's Service .....	5,848.00		
Aid to Dependent Children .....	9,372.34		
Public Health .....	1,587.50		
Disability Assistance .....	8,494.34		
Paid Treasurer .....		\$	178,149.82
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	\$ 178,149.82	\$	178,149.82

### Water Rates and Miscellaneous

Uncollected December 31, 1956 .....	\$ 23,345.65	
Committed 1957 .....	175,101.00	
Refunds .....	980.00	
Paid Treasurer .....		\$ 158,124.73
Abatements .....		1,245.19
Water Liens Added to 1957 Taxes .....		13,235.58
Uncollected December 31, 1957 .....		26,821.15
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	\$ 199,426.65	\$ 199,426.65

### Recapitulation of Receipts

Taxes and Assessments .....	\$2,266,529.14	
Sewer Rentals .....	28,787.81	
Betterments .....	26,168.86	
Departmental Accounts .....	180,218.13	
Water Rates and Miscellaneous .....	158,124.73	
Certificates of Municipal Liens .....	707.00	
Paid Treasurer as per Treasurer's Receipts .....		\$2,660,535.67
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	\$2,660,535.67	\$2,660,535.67

WILLIAM E. MORRISON

Collector of Taxes

## REPORT OF THE BOARD OF ASSESSORS

For the Year 1957

### Valuation

#### Real Estate

Land, exclusive of buildings .....	\$ 4,758,305.00
Buildings, exclusive of land .....	27,865,825.00

Total Value of Real Estate .....	\$32,624,130.00
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#### Personal Property

Stock in Trade .....	136,301.00
Machinery .....	76,742.00
Live Stock .....	6,439.00
All Other .....	1,020,890.00
Total Value of Personal Property .....	\$ 1,240,372.00

Total Value of all Property .....	\$33,864,502.00
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Amount Appropriated for Town Purposes ....	3,436,492.15
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Amount to be paid for State & County	
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Taxes .....	130,141.32
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Amount of Overlay .....	66,381.06
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\$ 3,633,014.53
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Less Estimated Receipts .....	\$911,440.06	
Excise Tax .....	170,800.00	
Over Estimate in 1956 .....	1,963.12	
Available Funds .....	506,359.23	1,590,562.41

Net Amount to be raised on Polls & Property .....

	\$	2,042,452.12
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Tax Rate for 1957 — \$60.00

#### Actual Commitments for 1957

Real Estate Tax .....	\$ 1,957,450.80*
Personal Property Tax .....	74,422.32
Farm Animal Excise .....	32.49
Polls .....	10,538.00*
Excise .....	228,345.00
Moth .....	1,000.00
Sidewalk and Curbing .....	1,880.70
House Connections .....	3,661.62
Sewer Frontage .....	6,548.83
Highway .....	14,092.53
Water Charges .....	13,329.58
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	\$ 2,311,351.87

\*Includes additional commitments since Tax Rate Date

Real Estate — \$3.00

Polls — 6.00

Respectfully submitted,

HAROLD B. CURRELL

RALPH T. HORN

WILLIAM T. FAIRCLOUGH

Board of Assessors

**ANNUAL REPORT**  
**of**  
**THE TOWN ACCOUNTANT**  
**Receipts and Expenditures**  
**for the year ended**  
**December 31, 1957**



# TOWN OF READING

## BALANCE SHEET — DECEMBER 31, 1957

### ASSETS

#### Cash:

General .....	
Petty Cash Advances:	
Library .....	\$
Light .....	15.00
Schools .....	400.00
Selectmen .....	218.00
Water .....	50.00
Welfare .....	100.00
	50.00

#### Accounts Receivable:

Taxes:	
Levy of 1955:	
Personal .....	
Levy of 1956:	
Poll .....	26.00
Personal .....	339.94
Real Estate .....	9,368.90

#### Levy of 1957:

Poll .....	162.00
Personal .....	2,696.06
Real Estate .....	54,574.84

#### Farm Animal Excise .....

32.49

### LIABILITIES

#### Payroll Deductions:

Withholding Tax .....	\$ 18,286.61
Group Hospital Insurance .....	2,755.60
Group Life Insurance .....	416.60
	\$ 21,458.81
Tailings .....	600.81
Dog Licenses due County .....	31.00
Sporting Licenses due State .....	84.00
County T.B. Hospital, overestimate ..	1,000.59
Road Machinery Fund .....	42,898.59
Cemetery Sale of Lois & Graves Fund ..	14,820.02
Reserve for Petty Cash Advances ...	833.00
Community Ctr. Receipts Reserved	2,247.44
Trust Fund Income:	
Parker Hospital Fund .....	5,154.41
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund ...	10.00

#### Guarantee Deposits:

Sewer House Connections .....	78.75
Light Consumers Deposits .....	9,652.00

O.A.A. Recoveries .....	19,800.01
Salvage Committee Fund .....	6,914.64
Appropriation Balances Forward .....	327,929.23
Overlay Surplus Reserve .....	52,322.36

Motor Vehicle Excise:		Overlay Reserved For Abatement of Taxes:	
Levy of 1955 .....	8.01	Levy of 1955 .....	85.60
Levy of 1956 .....	138.09	Levy of 1956 .....	9,734.84
Levy of 1957 .....	32,721.02	Levy of 1957 .....	18,852.01
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Special Assessments:		Revenues Reserved until Collected:	
Moth 1956 .....	3.50	Motor Vehicle Excise .....	32,867.12
Moth 1957 .....	32.50	Farm Animal Excise .....	32.49
<hr/>		Special Assessments .....	123,545.68
Sewer Unapportioned .....	38,597.48	Departmental .....	7,881.45
Sewer 1956 .....	15.99	Tax Titles .....	4,961.87
Sewer 1957 .....	320.05	Tax Possessions .....	3,158.84
Sewer Interest 1956 .....	7.35	State and County Aid to Highways	37,260.44
Sewer Interest 1957 .....	51.37	Water Rates and Liens .....	28,146.20
<hr/>		Light Rates, etc. ....	285,289.22
Sewer House Conn. Unappor. ....	18,717.81	<hr/>	
Sewer House Conn. 1957 .....	77.57	Water Available Surplus .....	2,016.19
Sewer House Conn. Int. 1957 ....	18.68	Sale of Real Estate .....	2,641.28
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Sidewalk Unapportioned .....	8,398.88	<hr/>	
Sidewalk 1956 .....	10.51	<hr/>	
Sidewalk 1957 .....	79.07	<hr/>	
Sidewalk Interest 1956 .....	1.40	<hr/>	
Sidewalk Interest 1957 .....	18.15	<hr/>	
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Highway Unapportioned .....	52,004.11	<hr/>	
Highway 1956 .....	57.89	<hr/>	
Highway 1957 .....	503.00	<hr/>	
Highway Interest 1956 .....	19.54	<hr/>	
Highway Interest 1957 .....	189.10	<hr/>	
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Sewer Rentals .....	4,421.73	<hr/>	

Departmental:	
Sewer House Conn. ....	66.07
Water Ext. and Conn. ....	1,356.22
Public Welfare .....	1,813.25
A.D.C. From State .....	3,183.25
O.A.A. — Other .....	52.91
Public Works .....	1,006.60
Tree and Moth .....	320.65
Veterans' Aid From State .....	82.50
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	7,881.45
Tax Titles .....	
Tax Possessions .....	4,961.87
Aid to Highways, Chapter 90:	3,158.84
State .....	20,860.45
County .....	16,399.99
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Water:	
Rates, etc. ....	26,821.15
Liens added to taxes .....	1,325.05
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	28,146.20
Light:	
Rates, etc. ....	285,289.22
Consumers Deposits .....	9,652.00
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	294,941.22
Underestimates:	
Metropolitan Sewerage .....	403.48
State Parks and Reservations ....	255.76
County Tax .....	5,723.56
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	6,382.80
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	\$1,474,990.45
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	\$1,474,990.45

## NON-REVENUE ACCOUNTS

Cash .....		
	\$180,051.98	Memorial High School Construction
		Memorial High School Sewer Constr.
		Highland School Building Repairs ....
		Birch Meadow School Construction
		Library Addition Construction .....
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	\$180,051.98	
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		\$180,051.98

\$ 10,454.25  
10.00  
75,026.32  
94,383.24  
178.17

## DEFERRED ACCOUNTS

Apportioned Sewer Assts. not due ....		
Appor. Sewer H.C. Assts. not due ....	\$ 29,530.00	Appor. Sewer Assts. Rev. 1958-74
Appor. Sidewalk Assts. not due .....	16,218.60	Appor. Sewer H.C. Assts. Rev. 1958-74
Appor. Highway Assts. not due .....	6,218.51	Appor. Sidewalk Assts. Rev. 1958-76
	70,954.20	Appor. Highway Assts. Rev. 1958-76
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	\$122,921.31	
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		\$122,921.31

\$ 29,530.00  
16,218.60  
6,218.51  
70,954.20

## DEBT ACCOUNTS

Funded or Fixed Debt:			
Inside Debt Limit .....			
Outside Debt Limit .....			
	\$1,049,000.00	Inside Debt Limit:	
	2,920,000.00	Sewer .....	1948 \$ 4,000.00
		Sewer .....	1953 120,000.00
		School — Eaton .....	1948 275,000.00
		School — Memorial High .....	1952 150,000.00
		School — Birch Meadow .....	1956 380,000.00
		School — Highland, Repairs 1957	100,000.00
		Library Addition .....	1949 20,000.00
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			\$1,049,000.00

# Outside Debt Limit:

School — Pearl St. ....	1938 \$	5,000.00
School — Memorial High .....	1952	1,500,000.00
School — Birch Meadow .....	1956	380,000.00
Light .....	1939	2,000.00
Light .....	1949	40,000.00
Light .....	1951	102,000.00
Light .....	1953	90,000.00
Light .....	1955	105,000.00
Light .....	1956	570,000.00
Water .....	1948	1,000.00
Water .....	1948	2,000.00
Water .....	1949	2,000.00
Water .....	1950	21,000.00
Water .....	1952	100,000.00
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		\$2,920,000.00
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		\$3,969,000.00

\$3,969,000.00

## TRUST AND INVESTMENT ACCOUNTS

Cash and Securities .....		
	\$599,825.06	
Parker Hospital Fund .....		\$244,608.50
Grouard Hospital Fund .....		99,906.16
Foster Hospital Fund .....		4,031.54
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund .....		177,139.27
Ethel E. Grant Fund .....		40,056.64
R.H.S. Scholarship Fund .....		5,609.51
Kenneth L. Brown Award Fund .....		1,020.36
Public Library Fund .....		1,026.14
Wadlin Library Fund .....		1,789.39
Tuttle Library Fund .....		638.61
Appleton Library Fund .....		5,157.63



Torrey Library Fund .....	1,023.21
Foster Library Fund .....	12,502.04
Post War Rehabilitation Fund .....	733.00
Stabilization Fund .....	4,583.06
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	\$599,825.06

# **CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT ACCOUNTS**

Cash .....	\$ 5,638.15	Annuity Savings Fund .....	\$298,121.56
Investments .....	387,055.56	Annuity Reserve Fund .....	53,915.88
Accrued Interest .....	1,582.40	Military Service Fund .....	3,674.65
		Pension Fund .....	38,501.60
		Expense .....	62.42
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	\$394,276.11		\$394,276.11

BOYD H. STEWART,  
Town Accountant

**TOWN OF READING, MASS.**  
**CLASSIFIED STATEMENT OF FUNDED DEBT**  
**December 31, 1957**

Due	SEWER		SCHOOLS		LIBRARY		LIGHT		WATER		TOTAL	
	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.	Prin.	Int.
1958	\$ 24,000.00	\$ 2,910.00	\$ 200,000.00	\$ 67,852.50	\$10,000.00	\$250.00	\$ 69,000.00	\$ 23,738.25	\$ 22,000.00	\$ 2,095.00	\$ 325,000.00	\$ 96,845.75
1959	20,000.00	2,400.00	195,000.00	63,010.00	10,000.00	125.00	69,000.00	22,017.75	17,000.00	1,750.00	311,000.00	89,302.75
1960	20,000.00	1,920.00	195,000.00	58,255.00			68,000.00	20,297.25	17,000.00	1,487.50	300,000.00	81,959.75
1961	20,000.00	1,440.00	195,000.00	53,500.00			63,000.00	18,591.75	10,000.00	1,225.00	288,000.00	74,756.75
1962	20,000.00	960.00	195,000.00	48,745.00			62,000.00	17,016.25	10,000.00	1,050.00	287,000.00	67,771.25
1963	20,000.00	480.00	175,000.00	43,990.00			62,000.00	15,456.75	5,000.00	875.00	262,000.00	60,801.75
1964			175,000.00	39,855.00			47,000.00	13,897.25	5,000.00	787.50	227,000.00	54,539.75
1965			175,000.00	35,720.00			47,000.00	12,697.75	5,000.00	700.00	227,000.00	49,117.75
1966			175,000.00	31,585.00			42,000.00	11,542.00	5,000.00	612.50	222,000.00	43,739.50
1967			175,000.00	27,450.00			42,000.00	10,430.00	5,000.00	525.00	222,000.00	38,405.00
1968			175,000.00	23,315.00			42,000.00	9,318.00	5,000.00	437.50	222,000.00	33,070.50
1969			150,000.00	19,180.00			42,000.00	8,186.00	5,000.00	350.00	197,000.00	27,716.00
1970			150,000.00	15,545.00			42,000.00	7,074.00	5,000.00	262.50	197,000.00	22,881.50
1971			150,000.00	11,910.00			42,000.00	5,962.00	5,000.00	175.00	197,000.00	18,047.00
1972			150,000.00	8,275.00			35,000.00	4,870.00	5,000.00	87.50	190,000.00	13,232.50
1973			40,000.00	4,640.00			35,000.00	3,870.00			75,000.00	8,510.00
1974			40,000.00	3,480.00			35,000.00	2,870.00			75,000.00	6,350.00
1975			40,000.00	2,320.00			35,000.00	1,870.00			75,000.00	4,190.00
1976			40,000.00	1,160.00			30,000.00	870.00			70,000.00	2,030.00
Total	\$124,000.00	\$10,110.00	\$2,790,000.00	\$559,787.50	\$20,000.00	\$375.00	\$909,000.00	\$210,575.00	\$126,000.00	\$12,420.00	\$3,969,000.00	\$793,267.50

# RECEIPTS FOR 1957

## General Revenue

### Taxes

#### Current Year:

Poll .....	9,080.00	
Personal .....	71,076.46	
Real Estate .....	1,855,971.71	1,936,128.17

#### Previous Years:

Poll .....	50.00	
Personal .....	2,568.11	
Real Estate .....	43,516.65	46,134.76

Tax Titles Sold ..... 3.50

Tax Title Redemptions ..... 1,624.20

#### From the State:

Corporation Tax .....	108,289.41	
Income Tax		
Valuation .....	32,378.44	
Education .....	131,964.06	272,631.91

### Licenses

#### Board of Selectmen:

Amusement .....	52.00	
Auctioneer .....	24.00	
Firearms .....	40.00	
Innholder .....	1.00	
Junk .....	30.00	
Lord's Day .....	95.00	
Parking .....	5.00	
Peddler .....	2.00	
Second-hand Articles .....	4.00	
Second-hand Autos .....	30.00	
Taxicab .....	19.00	
Theater .....	5.00	
Trucking .....	22.00	
Victualler .....	45.00	374.00

#### Board of Health:

Frozen Desserts .....	5.00	
Kindergarten .....	11.00	
Offensive Trades .....	50.00	
Sale of Books .....	.50	66.50

#### From the State:

Peddlers .....		66.00
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### Permits

Building .....	1,577.00	
Marriage .....	282.00	
Plumbing .....	1,030.00	
Revolver .....	102.00	2,991.00

Fines, Court ..... 6.00

## Grants and Gifts

### From the Federal Government:

Old Age Assistance .....	82,836.59	
Aid to Dependent Children .....	15,948.60	
Disability Assistance .....	5,595.78	
School Lunches .....	28,857.83	
Federal Aid for Schools .....	17,714.00	150,952.80

### From the State:

School Construction Aid .....	73,648.12	
Meals Tax .....	5,102.27	
Highway Aid Act of 1956 .....	43,167.81	
Paraplegics .....	1,429.50	
Flood Relief .....	17,595.02	
Adult Education .....	800.00	141,742.72

Addison-Wesley Publishing Co. ....	3,000.00
Town Service Organizations (Chairs) .....	1,655.13

### From the County:

Dog Licenses .....	2,536.37
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### Special Assessments

Moth and Tree .....	\$ 978.50	
Sewer .....	12,703.66	
Sewer House Connections .....	9,375.25	
Sidewalk .....	3,955.09	
Highway .....	20,037.54 \$	47,050.04

### Privileges

Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise .....	225,225.01
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### Departmental — General Government

#### Selectmen:

Community Center Rents .....	\$ 3,281.44
Advertising Hearings .....	49.75

#### Sale of Books

Street Lists .....	380.80	
Zoning Laws .....	22.50 \$	3,734.49

Treasurer .....	27.15
Collector .....	1,417.91

#### Town Clerk:

Mortgages .....	\$ 1,707.99	
Pole Locations .....	20.00	
Birth, Marriage and Death Certificates .....	261.00	
Dog License Fees .....	360.80	
Sporting License Fees .....	148.75	
Other Certificates and Permits .....	121.15 \$	2,619.69
Board of Appeals Hearings .....		405.00

## Protection of Persons and Property

### Police Department

Ambulance Fees .....	\$	1,396.50	
Bicycle Registrations .....		119.25	\$ 1,515.75
Sealer of Weights and Measures .....			114.80
Inspector of Wires .....			622.00
Moth and Tree .....	\$		6,430.23

## Health and Sanitation

Tuberculosis, State Subsidy .....	\$	1,367.50	
Dental Clinic .....		489.80	
Inspector of Milk and Food .....		19.00	
Dog Clinic .....		612.00	
Sewer Rentals .....		28,552.20	
Reimbursement for Drain Constr. ....		220.00	\$ 31,260.50

## Highways

State and County Joint Maint., Chapt. 90 .....	\$	2,938.10	
State and County Joint Constr., Chapt. 90 .....		27,989.56	
Snow and Ice Removal, State Reimbursement .....		239.18	
Road Machinery, Departmental Charges .....		46,198.59	
Other .....		15.00	\$ 77,380.43

## Charities

### Reimbursement for Relief:

From Cities and Towns .....	\$	937.03	
From the State .....		3,178.51	\$ 4,115.54

### Reimbursement for A.D.C.:

From the State .....	\$	9,372.34	
Sale of Oil Burner .....		150.00	\$ 9,522.34

### Reimbursement for O.A.A.:

From Cities and Towns .....	\$	1,986.37	
From the State .....		81,864.28	
Recovery .....		8,602.16	
Rent from Girl Scouts .....		50.00	\$ 92,502.81

### Reimbursement for Disability Assistance:

From the State .....	\$		8,494.34
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## Veterans Services

Reimbursement from the State, Relief .....	\$		5,848.00
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## Schools

Vocational Tuition, State and City Wards .....	\$	5,615.21	
Tuition, Other .....		32,034.92	
Sale of Text Books and Supplies .....		1,701.54	
Cafeterias .....		74,292.12	
Athletics .....		6,873.17	\$ 120,516.96

## Library

Fines .....	\$	1,941.43	
Interest on Funds for New Books .....		494.25	\$ 2,435.68



## Unclassified

Sale of Real Estate .....	\$	2,725.00	
Light Dept. in Lieu of Taxes .....		93,750.72	
Damage Settlements .....		81,743.73	
Lease of Land .....		200.00	
Reimbursement for Insurance:			
Sewer .....	\$	3,435.92	
School .....		455.77	
Light .....		8,598.86	
Water .....		3,025.25	\$ 193,935.25

## Public Service Enterprises

### Light Department:

Sale of Light and Power .....	\$1,641,359.83	
Mdse. and Jobbing .....	70,044.66	
Miscellaneous (Refunds) .....	20,311.03	\$1,731,715.52

### Water Department:

Sale of Water .....	\$	116,951.28	
Services, Repairs, etc. ....		40,193.45	
Liens added to Taxes .....		13,044.92	
Main Pipe Extension .....		22,630.22	\$ 192,819.87

## Cemeteries

Sale of Lots and Graves .....	\$	3,780.00	
Care of Lots and Graves .....		7,094.87	
Care of Endowed Lots (Int. on Funds) .....		3,218.67	\$ 14,093.54

## Interest

On Sewer Rentals .....	\$	35.98	
On Deferred Taxes .....		1,546.79	
On Special Assessments .....		5,102.87	
On Salvage Fund .....		229.77	
On Public Trust Funds:			
Parker Hospital Fund .....		5,311.66	
Grouard Hospital Fund .....		2,647.07	
Foster Hospital Fund .....		86.25	
R.H.S. Scholarship Fund .....		153.75	
Torrey Library Fund .....		32.50	
Foster Library Fund .....		316.25	
Brown Scholarship Fund .....		25.00	
On Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund .....		2,882.80	
On Motor Vehicle and Trailer Excise .....		149.07	
On Tax Title Redemptions .....		39.16	
On Loans, Accrued .....		9,311.67	\$ 27,870.59

## Municipal Indebtedness

Anticipation of Revenue Loan .....	\$	250,000.00	
Highland School Loan .....		100,000.00	
Premium on Highland School Loan .....		193.00	\$ 350,193.00

## Agency, Trust and Investment

Dog Licenses for County .....	\$	3,456.20	
Sporting Licenses For State .....		1,758.50	
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund .....		7,230.00	
Withholding Taxes .....		199,215.57	
Blue Cros — Blue Shield .....		31,407.76	
Teachers' Retirement .....		9,342.86	
Tailings .....		63.17	
Investment Funds Transfers .....		90,025.00	
Investment Funds Transactions .....		495,465.40	\$ 837,964.46

## Refunds

Departmental .....	\$	8,018.68	
Taxes, Assts., Public Service Ent., etc. ....		18,785.09	\$ 26,803.77
Total .....			\$6,576,547.73

## CLASSIFICATION OF EXPENDITURES

1957

### General Government

#### Selectmen

Personal Services — Clerical .....	\$	1,665.00
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#### Expense

Reimbursements for Expenses .....	\$	103.97	
Telephone .....		194.54	
Postage .....		146.60	
Towels .....		13.80	
Association Dues .....		69.00	
Printing, Stationery and Forms .....		83.90	
Annotated Laws .....		45.00	
Advertising Hearings .....		120.88	
Machine Service .....		29.75	
Supplies .....		316.15	
Wallets for Draftees .....		32.40	
Medical Panel Examination .....		75.00	
Flu Inoculations .....		52.00	
Trophies .....		31.08	
Badges .....		15.85	
Printing Sewer Study Report .....		172.80	
Highland School Fire Loss Report .....		300.00	
Signs .....		129.75	
Other .....		66.69	\$ 1,999.16

## Accountant

### Personal Services

Accountant .....	\$	5,145.50	
Clerical .....		807.30	\$ 5,952.80

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### Expense

Postage .....	\$	39.60	
Supplies and Equipment .....		179.70	
Association Dues .....		50.00	
Machine Service and Maintenance .....		118.07	
Travel Expense .....		195.00	
Other .....		8.45	\$ 590.82

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## Treasurer

### Personal Services

Treasurer .....	\$	3,000.00	
Clerical .....		1,306.91	\$ 4,306.91

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### Expense

Postage .....	\$	627.31	
Stationery and Supplies .....		266.52	
Telephone .....		115.51	
Stencils and Filing Checks .....		215.95	
Machine Service .....		125.50	
Towels .....		8.80	
Certification of Notes .....		10.00	
Bond Issue Expense .....		165.00	
Other .....		24.87	\$ 1,559.46

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## Collector

### Personal Services

Collector .....	\$	5,100.00	
Clerical .....		7,404.50	\$ 12,504.50

### Expense

Books and Printing .....	\$	1,033.58	
Telephone .....		96.35	
Supplies and Equipment .....		485.63	
Postage .....		868.58	
Other .....		102.66	\$ 2,586.80

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## Assessors

### Personal Services

Assessors (3) .....	\$	4,743.75	
Clerical .....		6,934.30	\$ 11,678.05

## Expense

Meetings .....	\$	125.61	
Auto Hire .....		116.00	
Telephone .....		131.42	
Supplies and Equipment .....		415.33	
Rebuilding Cabinets .....		150.00	
Maps .....		787.75	
Printing and Forms .....		508.46	
Postage .....		91.00	
Registry of Deeds .....		314.07	
Other .....		157.10	\$ 2,796.74
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## Town Counsel

Personal Services .....	\$	3,750.00	
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## Expense

Stenographic Services .....	\$	1,305.33	
Court Costs and Witness Fees .....		18.30	
Telephone, Travel and Postage .....		58.32	
Stationery and Supplies .....		100.00	
Decisions and Annotated Laws .....		30.30	
Examination of Titles and Records .....		400.00	
Plans and Photostating .....		36.20	
Revenue Stamps .....		7.05	
Recording Fees .....		44.50	\$ 2,000.00
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## Town Clerk

### Personal Services

Town Clerk .....	\$	2,225.00	
Clerical .....		3,351.60	\$ 5,576.60
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## Expense

Printing, Stationery and Supplies .....	\$	239.49	
Postage .....		94.00	
Telephone .....		170.65	
Association Dues .....		17.50	
Advertising and Notices .....		123.75	
Meetings and Travel .....		158.00	
Binding .....		23.50	
Typewriter Service .....		22.95	\$ 849.84
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## Registration

### Personal Services

Registrars .....	\$	300.00	
Assistant Registrars .....		1,790.65	
Clerk .....		200.00	\$ 2,290.65
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Expense			
Printing and Supplies .....	\$	33.24	
Telephone .....		34.60	
Machine Service .....		22.95 \$	90.79
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Election			
Election Officers .....	\$	2,203.99	
Hall Rent .....		75.00	
Installing Booths and Wiring .....		220.25	
Lunches .....		211.76	
Printing Voters Lists, Ballots, Counters .....		1,059.50	
Finance Committee Reports .....		360.50	
Advertising and Posting Warrants .....		416.50	
New Voting Booths .....		436.80	
Signs for New Voting Places .....		92.96 \$	5,077.26
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Board of Appeal			
Clerical .....	\$	260.50	
Supplies .....		5.75	
Advertising Hearings .....		156.90	
Postage .....		19.80	
Machine Service .....		11.47 \$	454.42
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Planning Board			
Clerical .....	\$	33.00	
Printing and Advertising .....		55.75	
Maps .....		101.00	
Printing Zoning By-Laws .....		403.15 \$	592.90
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Capital Expenditures Planning Committee			
Clerical .....	\$	3.99	
Printing Report .....		192.00 \$	195.99
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Finance Committee			
Dues .....	\$	25.00	
Association Meetings .....		28.10	
Printing .....		5.00 \$	58.10
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Personnel Board			
Dues .....		\$	25.00
Municipal Building Maintenance			
Janitor .....	\$	3,451.00	
Fuel .....		645.36	
Gas and Light .....		931.25	
Water and Sewer .....		68.80	



Supplies .....	475.93	
Summer Janitor .....	40.00	
Repairs to Building and Grounds .....	917.37	
New Desks .....	465.00	
Linoleum Floors .....	445.00	\$ 7,439.71

#### Community Center Building Maintenance

Janitor .....	\$ 2,999.74	
Oil .....	2,745.72	
Light .....	626.25	
Gas .....	92.72	
Telephone .....	87.41	
Plumbing .....	3,988.85	
Carpentering .....	953.73	
New Chairs .....	1,732.34	
Painting and Wiring .....	1,379.57	\$ 14,606.33

Total General Government .....	\$ 88,647.83
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#### Protection of Persons and Property

##### Police Department

##### Personal Services

Chief .....	\$ 5,835.05	
Lieutenant .....	4,958.20	
Sergeants .....	18,757.90	
Patrolmen .....	80,202.20	
Special Work .....	4,127.50	
Clerk .....	2,535.00	
Janitor .....	1,200.00	\$ 117,615.85

##### Department Maintenance Expense

Traffic Officers' Uniforms .....	\$ 369.95
Chief's Expense .....	263.00
Gasoline Expense .....	2,616.69
Radio Repairs .....	505.77
Gamewell System .....	1,035.72
Teletype Expense .....	602.65
Revolver Permits .....	71.00
Bicycle Expense .....	36.00
Traffic Lights .....	1,233.02
Traffic Lanes .....	2,224.86
Automobile Repairs .....	1,101.88
New Tires .....	211.34
Printing and Stationery .....	601.79
Reserve Police .....	343.43
Telephone Expense .....	740.40
Washing Cars .....	118.00
Coats and Caps .....	470.30
Oil and Grease .....	93.72

Chains and Alcohol .....	24.78	
Police School .....	200.00	
Target Practice .....	155.31	
All Others .....	462.61 \$	13,482.22

#### Station Maintenance Expense

Water and Sewer .....	\$ 105.87	
Electricity .....	426.64	
Fuel .....	<b>497.25</b>	
Repairs .....	958.17	
Janitor's Supplies .....	166.01	
Laundry .....	94.04 \$	2,247.98

Pensions .....	\$	7,988.24
New Uniforms .....		1,819.60
Two New Cruising Cars .....		2,600.00
New Station Wagon .....		1,000.00

#### Fire Department

##### Personal Services

Chief .....	\$ 5,835.05	
Deputy Chief .....	4,958.20	
Captains .....	13,985.40	
Privates .....	<b>79,321.95</b>	
Callmen .....	5,816.64 \$	109,917.24

#### Department Maintenance Expense

Chief's Expenses (Incl. travel out of State) \$	75.50	
Telephone .....	433.24	
Laundry .....	664.65	
Bedding, etc. ....	70.20	
Motor Apparatus Maintenance .....	3,029.76	
Gasoline and Oil .....	1,181.85	
Repairs, other Equipment .....	373.98	
New Hose .....	1,686.37	
New Appliances .....	942.96	
Equipment and Supplies .....	1,169.80	
Equipment for Men .....	799.82	
Forest Fires .....	1,378.98	
Forest Fire Patrol .....	21.00	
Office Expenses .....	316.10	
Salary of Dispatcher .....	200.00	
All Others .....	855.06 \$	13,199.27

#### Station Maintenance Expense

##### Central Station

Gas .....	\$ 93.68	
Fuel .....	887.93	
Building Repairs .....	236.02	

Lighting .....	328.13		
Water and Sewer .....	145.12		
Supplies .....	458.45		
Furnishings .....	121.35		
	\$	2,270.68	
Station No. 2, Woburn Street			
Gas .....	\$	14.06	
Fuel .....		388.99	
Building Repairs .....		297.74	
Lighting .....		89.34	
Water and Sewer .....		7.00	
Supplies .....		363.19	
Furnisrings .....		76.55	
	\$	1,236.87	
	\$	1,236.87 \$	3,507.55
Fire Alarm Maintenance			
Personal Services			
Salary of Superintendent .....	\$	350.00	
Pay Rolls .....		2,990.08 \$	3,340.08
Department Expenses			
Material, Supplies and Equipment .....	\$	1,670.73	
Truck Maintenance .....		44.49	
Power for Fire Alarm and Police Signals .....		53.22	
Radio Maintenance .....		228.97	
Paint Fire Alarm Shop Second Coat .....		150.00	
Fire Alarm Boxes .....		810.00	
New Fire Alarm Equipment, Station No. 2 .....		1,076.38	
All Others .....		100.02 \$	4,133.81
Fire Alarm Extension			
Personal Services			
Pay Rolls .....		\$	1,000.00
Department Expense			
Material, Supplies and Equipment .....		\$	580.56
New Uniforms .....			925.29
New Fire Station Construction .....			143,267.41
New Pumping Fire Engine .....			19,122.07
New Station Wagon .....			1,957.00
Hydrant Rentals .....			6,765.00
Drinking Fountains .....			100.00
Tree and Moth Department			
Personal Services			
Tree Warden .....	\$	420.00	
Superintendent .....		4,829.50	
Climbers and Laborers .....		17,395.40 \$	22,644.90

# Expense

Fuel, Light, Water and Sewer .....	\$	104.37	
Printing and Advertising .....		68.50	
Telephone .....		256.05	
Clerical .....		112.50	
Equipment Expense .....		1,894.56	
Trees .....		500.00	
Lead .....		1,068.48	
Insecticide .....		883.52	
Loam .....		99.00	
Supplies .....		113.52	
Other .....		261.91	\$ 5,362.41

# Expense

Town Forest .....	\$	777.75	
Dutch Elm Control .....		6,773.82	
Mosquito Control .....		720.00	

# Inspector of Buildings

Salary .....	\$	4,187.50	
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# Expense

Car .....	\$	350.00	
Telephone .....		101.47	
Membership Dues .....		2.00	
Printing and Forms .....		40.50	
Other .....		22.00	\$ 515.97

# Inspector of Wires

Salary .....	\$	925.00	
Car .....	\$	311.20	
Stationery .....		25.50	\$ 336.70

# Sealer of Weights and Measures

Salary .....	\$	700.00	
Expense			
Car .....	\$	176.00	
Printing and Supplies .....		35.70	\$ 211.70

Game Warden's Salary .....	\$	105.00	
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# Dog Officer

Salary .....	\$	375.00	
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# Expense

Car .....	\$	60.41	
Telephone .....		176.35	
Plowing .....		14.00	
Repairs to Dog House .....		194.08	

Light .....	10.00	
Fuel .....	113.37	
Supplies .....	30.26	\$ 598.47
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Traffic Control — Schools .....	\$	4,683.50
Civil Defense .....		1,115.22
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Total Protection of Persons and Property .....	\$	505,977.11

### Health and Sanitation

#### Board of Health

##### Personal Services

Doctors, 2 @ \$125.00 .....	\$	250.00	
Clerk .....		2,275.00	
Health Agent .....		699.96	
Plumbing Inspector .....	1,500.00	\$	4,724.96
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##### Expense

Telephone .....	\$	158.40	
Supplies .....		130.08	
Printing .....		32.75	
Car .....		250.00	
Visiting Nurse Assn. ....		50.00	
Machine Service .....		25.00	
Clerical, extra .....		17.75	
Meetings .....		22.00	
Other .....		7.02	\$ 693.00
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Inspector of Animals Salary .....	\$	400.00
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#### Inspector of Milk and Food

Salary .....	\$	350.00	
Expense .....		50.00	\$ 400.00
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Care of Contagious Diseases .....	\$	2,961.38
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Garbage Collection .....		16,850.00
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Dental Clinic .....		3,197.50
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#### Child Welfare

Doctor .....	\$	300.00	
Visiting Nurse Assn. ....		300.00	\$ 600.00
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Total Health and Sanitation .....	\$	29,826.84
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## Public Works

### Administration

Pay Roll .....	\$	10,183.48	
Expense			
Telephone .....		619.32	
Supplies .....		1,315.14	\$ 12,117.94
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### Engineering Division

Pay Roll .....	\$	24,680.58	
Expense			
Supplies .....	\$	2,423.63	
Auto Mileage .....		100.00	\$ 27,204.21
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### Highway Department

Pay Roll .....	\$	59,914.85	
Expense			
Machinery Rental .....		7,933.80	
Lights .....		339.71	
Phone .....		495.81	
Supplies .....		7,852.62	
Fuel Oil .....		1,334.55	
Gravel/Sand/Stonedust .....		4,785.18	
Tar Patch .....		7,551.43	
Asphalt .....		10,099.98	
Hired Equipment .....		490.50	
New Equipment .....		602.29	
Contract Payment .....		3,355.09	\$ 104,755.81
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### Snow and Ice

Pay Roll .....	\$	23,838.82	
Expense			
Snow Plowing and Hauling .....		4,555.08	
Salt .....		3,312.03	
Sand/Gravel .....		2,096.31	
Supplies/Tools/Repairs .....		5,906.18	
Machinery Rental .....		4,614.73	
Hired Equipment .....		1,258.10	
New Equipment .....		3,548.60	
Miscellaneous .....		990.58	\$ 50,120.43
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### 1955 Chapter 90 Construction

Expense			
Grates and Frames .....	\$	105.00	
Contract Payment .....		25,494.45	\$ 25,599.45
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# 1956 Chapter 90 Construction

## Expense

Contract Payment .....	\$ 18,784.65	\$ 18,784.65
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# 1957 Chapter 90 Construction

## Expense

Grates and Frames .....	\$ 1,740.00	
Supplies .....	6.84	\$ 1,746.84

# West, Willow and Summer Culvert

## Expense

Contract Payment .....	\$ 4,492.80	\$ 4,492.80
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# Chapter 90 Maintenance

Pay Roll .....	\$ 1,268.13	
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## Expense

Sand/Stone .....	1,255.71	
Asphalt .....	1,500.71	
Machinery Rental .....	475.45	\$ 4,500.00

# Maintenance Storm Drains

Pay Roll .....	\$ 9,200.00	
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## Expense

Supplies .....	552.54	
Machinery Rental .....	1,448.50	
Hired Equipment .....	1,448.50	\$ 12,689.54

# Drainage Construction

Pay Roll .....	\$ 18,000.00	
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## Expense

Supplies and Tools .....	1,559.86	
Pipe .....	129.04	
Machinery Rental .....	1,568.20	
Manhole Covers/Frames .....	2,484.50	
Gravel/Sand and Brick .....	2,610.05	
Hired Equipment .....	5,299.65	
Contract Payment .....	7,800.80	
Miscellaneous .....	541.75	\$ 39,993.85

# Sidewalk Maintenance

Pay Roll .....	\$ 4,682.68	
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## Expense

Supplies .....	490.09	
Stonedust .....	325.86	

Machinery Rental .....	1,012.63	
Hired Equipment .....	266.50	
Gravel/Sand/Loam .....	631.80	
Tree Lawn Mix .....	178.00 \$	7,587.56

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#### Sidewalk Construction

Pay Roll .....	\$	6,494.85	
Expense			
Supplies .....		232.18	
Sand/Gravel .....		214.15	
Machinery Rental .....		2,017.71	
Refund to Cash .....		47.96	
Contract Payment .....		2,933.00 \$	11,994.85

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#### Sewer Maintenance

Pay Roll .....	\$	6,120.59	
Expense			
Supplies .....		1,870.46	
Machinery Rental .....		236.83	
Light and Power .....		262.86	
Fuel and Range Oil .....		261.02	
Insurance .....		3,051.42	
Interest on Bonds .....		3,450.00	
Hired Equipment .....		40.00	
Miscellaneous .....		174.51 \$	15,467.69

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#### Sewer Construction

Pay Roll .....	\$	25,570.29	
Expense			
Supplies and Repairs .....		1,917.68	
Pipe .....		2,705.27	
Hired Equipment .....		143.00	
Machinery Rental .....		10.20	
Tar Patch .....		976.25	
Gravel/Sand .....		328.53	
Contract Payment .....		36,205.98	
Manhole Covers .....		3,553.50	
Stone/Brick .....		874.90	
Fuel Oil .....		281.83	
Advertising .....		79.80	
Refund to Cash .....		109.93	
New Equipment .....		1,144.70 \$	73,901.86

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#### Sewer House Connection

Pay Roll .....	\$	13,668.95	
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# Expense

Supplies and Repairs .....	8,597.36	
Machinery Rental .....	2,782.73	
Hired Equipment .....	455.00	
Manhole Covers .....	65.00	
Pipe .....	118.94	
Gravel/Loam .....	894.41	
Cement .....	116.20	
Miscellaneous .....	496.11 \$	27,194.70

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## John Street Dump

Pay Roll ..... \$ 7,250.00

### Expense

Machinery Rental .....	14.15	
Hired Equipment .....	1,382.00	
Gravel .....	80.38	
Misc. Supplies .....	24.36 \$	8,750.89

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## Arthur B. Lord Drive Const.

Pay Roll ..... \$ 2,008.89

### Expense

Supplies .....	29.43	
Machinery Rental .....	561.58	
Hired Equipment .....	628.45	
Gravel/Sand .....	2,441.61	
Curbing .....	669.63	
Tarvia .....	698.85	
Asphalt .....	514.58	
Contract Payment .....	696.00	
Tree Lawn Mix .....	100.00 \$	8,349.02

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## Mineral Street Bridge Repairs

Pay Roll ..... \$ 88.66

### Expense

Supplies .....	11.57 \$	100.23
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## Park Department

### Memorial Park

Pay Roll .....	\$ 2,411.31	
Supplies .....	838.32	
Lights .....	21.40	
Gravel/Loam .....	130.58	
Tree Lawn Mix .....	222.00 \$	3,623.61

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# Sturges Park

Pay Roll .....	\$	2,876.24	
Supplies .....		339.41	
Lights .....		37.59	
Hired Equipment .....		528.00	
Sand/Gravel .....		110.36	\$ 3,891.60

# Commons

Pay Roll .....	\$	717.43	
Supplies .....		117.77	
Lights .....		54.68	
Hired Equipment .....		100.00	
Spraying .....		79.20	
Painting Flag Pole .....		125.00	\$ 1,194.08

# Washington St. Park

Pay Roll .....	\$	3,393.25	
Supplies .....		1,005.75	
Hired Equipment .....		40.00	
Loam .....		100.00	\$ 4,539.00

# Birch Meadow

Pay Roll .....	\$	3,800.59	
Supplies .....		1,050.82	
Lights .....		185.38	
Hired Equipment .....		44.00	
Sand/Gravel .....		137.25	\$ 5,218.04

# Little League Park

Pay Roll .....	\$	2,064.90	
Supplies .....		147.32	
Hired Equipment .....		470.50	
Gravel/Loam .....		444.40	
Tree Lawn Mix .....		500.00	\$ 3,627.12

# Glen Meadow Park

Pay Roll .....	\$	52.13	\$ 52.13
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# Miscellaneous

Pay Roll .....	\$	129.62	
Supplies .....		271.72	
Machinery Rental .....		3,731.42	
Equipment Repairs .....		400.00	\$ 4,535.76



## Water Department Maintenance

Office Salaries .....	\$	3,679.67	
Office Supplies .....		551.77	
Phone .....		355.65	
Water Works Conv. ....		33.00	
Insurance .....		2,580.94	
New Equipment .....		2,229.56	
Machinery Rental .....		8,365.31	
Bonds and Interest .....		24,447.50	\$ 42,243.40

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## Pumping Station

Pay Roll .....	\$	3,956.91	
Phone .....		148.45	
Light and Power .....		12,909.58	
Supplies .....		899.95	
Fuel Oil .....		109.54	
Express .....		9.80	
Engr. Services .....		318.18	\$ 18,352.41

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## Filtration Plant

Pay Roll .....	\$	718.40	
Services .....		297.32	\$ 1,015.72

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## Well Field

Pay Roll .....	\$	1,737.76	\$ 1,737.76
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## Garage

Lights and Phone .....	\$	63.89	
Fuel Oil .....		388.90	
Supplies .....		44.96	
Hired Equipment .....		25.00	\$ 522.75

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## Meter Maintenance

Pay Roll .....	\$	8,947.58	
Supplies and Fittings .....		3,294.48	
Express .....		15.80	\$ 12,257.86

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## Service Pipe Maintenance

Pay Roll .....	\$	28,392.18	
Supplies .....		7,173.37	
Express/Freight .....		12.36	
Pipe .....		2,166.00	
Gravel .....		64.89	\$ 37,808.80

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## Main Pipe Maintenance

Pay Roll .....	\$	6,383.74	
Supplies .....		1,924.90	

Hired Equipment .....	638.50		
Gravel .....	90.54		
Pipe .....	2,131.03		
Tar Patch .....	444.95		
Gate Valves .....	208.16	\$	11,821.82
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Hydrant Maintenance			
Pay Roll .....	\$	1,258.52	
Supplies .....		748.14	\$ 2,006.66
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Miscellaneous			
Pay Roll .....	\$	7,925.24	
Supplies and Repairs .....		324.34	\$ 8,249.58
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Service Pipe Construction			
Pay Roll .....	\$	7,383.15	
Supplies and Repairs .....		9,910.13	
Pipe .....		5,355.21	
Hired Equipment .....		78.00	
Express .....		3.33	
Sand and Gravel .....		316.81	
Fuel Oil .....		50.00	\$ 23,096.63
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Miscellaneous			
Machinery Rental .....	\$	3,757.65	
New Equipment .....		2,229.56	\$ 5,987.21
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Meter Construction			
New Meters .....	\$	9,812.49	\$ 9,812.49
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Main Pipe Construction			
Pay Roll .....	\$	6,388.91	
Supplies .....		3,298.68	
Pipe .....		18,244.32	
Hired Equipment .....		244.00	
Gate Valves .....		2,477.39	
Gravel .....		68.76	\$ 30,722.06
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Hydrant Construction			
New Hydrants .....	\$	4,090.54	\$ 4,090.54
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New Wells Construction			
Pay Roll .....	\$	437.29	
Supplies .....		233.55	
Services .....		8,830.36	
Priv. Equip. Rental .....		180.00	\$ 9,681.20
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## Road Machinery Operating Account

Bd. Public Works .....	\$	502.96	
Water Maintenance .....		3,748.16	
Water Construction .....		1,507.71	
Highway .....		14,721.29	
Drainage .....		347.49	
A. B. Lord Drive .....		8.42	
Snow and Ice .....		3 262.39	
Maint. Storm Drains .....		819.41	
Engineering Division .....		207.64	
Dumps .....		199.90	
Parks .....		1,029.70	
Sewer Maintenance .....		569.70	
Sewer Construction .....		537.38	
Sewer House Connection .....		1,802.23	
Sidewalk Maintenance .....		167.86	
Street Betterments .....		99.40	
Birch Meadow Drive .....		1,138.80	
Birch Meadow Culvert .....		118.35	
Jacob Way .....		78.47	
New Equipment .....		34,747.09	\$ 65,614.35

## Birch Meadow Drain Culvert

Pay Roll .....	\$	155.91	\$ 155.91
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## Jacob Way Construction

Pay Roll .....	\$	3,355.52	
Expense			
Supplies .....		595.28	
Sand/Gravel .....		1,861.32	
Machinery Rental .....		1,667.61	
Hired Equipment .....		4,707.25	
Engr. Services .....		728.00	\$ . 12,914.98

## Water Main — Industrial Area

Pay Roll .....	\$	1,017.44	
Expense			
Supplies .....		461.07	
Pipe .....		2,824.02	
Tapping Sleeve and Valve .....		200.83	
Gate Valve .....		79.71	
Express .....		32.13	
Hired Equipment .....		255.00	\$ 4,870.20

## Water Main — Business C Area

Pay Roll .....	\$	3,429.88	
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Expense			
Supplies .....	755.91		
Pipe .....	8,733.40		
Hired Equipment .....	1,151.50		
Gate Valves .....	1,103.92 \$	15,174.61	
Pensions			
Pay Roll .....	\$ 7,085.52 \$	7,085.52	
Street Betterments .....		\$ 59,755.96	
1956 Birch Meadow Drive			
Pay Roll .....	\$ 967.70		
Expense			
Supplies .....	39.02		
Loam .....	31.10		
Machinery Rental .....	237.35		
Tree Lawn Mix .....	89.00 \$	1,364.17	
1957 Birch Meadow Drive			
Pay Roll .....	\$ 7,205.52		
Expense			
Supplies .....	1,206.22		
Machinery Rental .....	3,410.35		
Gravel, Sand, Stone, Brick .....	17,193.94		
Pipe .....	1,984.90		
Hired Equipment .....	6,617.04		
Recording Fees .....	16.85		
Grates and Frames .....	558.00		
Tarvia .....	1,825.74		
Asphalt .....	625.28 \$	40,643.84	
Birch Meadow Skating Area			
Pay Roll .....	\$ 628.64		
Expense			
Supplies .....	201.33		
Machinery Rental .....	163.95 \$	993.92	
Consulting Engineering Service			
Expense			
Services .....	\$ 5,946.93 \$	5,946.93	
Chapter 718 Summer Ave. Const.			
Survey .....	\$ 1,436.00 \$	1,436.00	

Lowell Street Culvert			
Pay Roll .....	\$	17.50	
Expense			
Hired Equipment .....		454.15	
Advertising .....		40.80	
Supplies .....		338.07	
Contract Payment .....		10,149.48	\$ 11,000.00
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Parking Areas Cleaning			
Pay Roll .....	\$	540.24	
Expense			
Machinery Rental .....		125.35	
Tar Patch .....		62.15	\$ 727.74
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South Street Relocation			
Land Damage .....	\$	200.00	\$ 200.00
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1955 South Street Relocation			
Land Damage .....	\$	375.00	\$ 375.00
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Street Lighting .....			\$ 17,000.00
Fluoridation			
Pay Roll .....	\$	7.31	
Expense			
Supplies .....		290.63	
Advertising .....		6.75	
Services .....		3,863.62	\$ 4,168.31
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Water Adequacy Study			
Engineer Services .....	\$	2,482.29	\$ 2,482.29
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Total Public Works .....			\$ 953,350.28

#### Charities and Aid

General Aid Administrative			
Personal Services .....	\$	1,791.03	
Expense			
Office Supplies .....		18.29	
Building Maintenance and Rent .....		333.51	
Travel .....		6.26	
Telephone .....		60.25	\$ 2,209.34
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General Aid			
Cash Aid .....	\$	7,945.79	
Boston City Hospital .....		360.00	



Refund to State Dept. Public Welfare .....	150.00	
Material Grants:		
Hospitals and Out Patient .....	2,184.95	
Nursing Home Care .....	448.00	
Maintenance .....	456.31	
Doctors .....	178.00	
Drugs .....	227.06	
Opticians .....	18.00	
Dentists .....	8.00	
Misc. ....	65.32	
Payments to Other Cities and Towns .....	3,502.25 \$	15,543.68
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Aid to Dependent Children Administrative		
Personal Services .....	\$ 4,721.21	
Expense		
Building Maintenance and Rent .....	845.79	
Office Supplies .....	31.10	
Travel Expense .....	183.99	
Telephone .....	111.06	
Misc. ....	20.50 \$	5,913.65
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Aid to Dependent Children		
Regular Cash Assistance .....	\$ 27,194.27	
Material Grants:		
Doctors .....	294.00	
Drugs .....	637.31	
Opticians .....	88.50	
Dentists .....	835.50	
Hospitals and Out Patient .....	395.90	
Maintenance .....	20.00 \$	29,465.48
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Disability Assistance Administrative		
Personal Services .....	\$ 1,431.50	
Expense		
Building Maintenance and Rent .....	161.40	
Office Supplies .....	15.55	
Travel Expense .....	25.28	
Stationery and Printing .....	18.00	
Postage .....	9.00	
Telephone .....	105.61	
Misc. ....	32.00 \$	1,798.34
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Disability Assistance		
Regular Cash Assistance .....	\$ 9,902.17	
Material Grants:		
Doctors .....	443.00	
Opticians .....	60.50	

Dentists .....	54.00	
Drugs .....	1,058.63	
Nursing and Boarding Home Care .....	1,755.85	
Hospital and Out Patient .....	2,541.85	
Visiting Nurse .....	244.00	
Ambulance Service .....	126.00	
Misc. ....	25.00	\$ 16,211.00

#### Old Age Assistance Administrative

Personal Services .....	\$ 10,614.92	
Expense		
Building Maintenance and Rent .....	2,713.42	
Office Supplies and Equipment .....	819.68	
Travel Expense .....	222.35	
Stationery and Printing .....	91.56	
Postage .....	162.50	
Telephone .....	360.20	
Misc. ....	71.25	\$ 15,055.88

#### Old Age Assistance

##### Expenditures:

Regular Cash Assistance .....	\$ 133,888.95	
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##### Material Grants:

Doctors .....	4,140.00	
Drugs .....	8,526.06	
Hospital Care .....	5,488.62	
Nursing Home Care .....	37,940.30	
Optical .....	722.00	
Dental .....	1,049.00	
Chiropodists .....	193.00	
Ambulance Service .....	82.00	
Reading Visiting Nurse .....	800.00	
Tewksbury State Hospital and Infirmary ....	1,662.40	
Special Needs .....	222.20	
Burials .....	350.00	
Payments to Other Cities and Towns .....	4,053.26	\$ 199,117.79

Total Charities and Aid .....	\$ 285,315.16	
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#### Veterans' Benefits

##### Administrative

Personal Services		
Agent .....	\$ 1,900.00	
Clerk .....	538.20	\$ 2,438.20
Expense		
Car .....	95.00	
Postage .....	18.00	

Supplies .....	55.22	
Telephone .....	249.35	
Dues .....	15.00 \$	432.57

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#### Aid

Cash Aid .....	\$ 9,571.10	
Food .....	10.00	
Fuel .....	1,001.89	
Medicine .....	346.27	
Hospitals and Doctors .....	2,287.50	
Miscellaneous .....	1,841.53 \$	15,058.29

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Total Veterans' Benefits .....	\$	17,929.06
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### Schools

#### Salaries

Supt., Clerks and Enf. of Law .....	\$ 45,027.01	
Directors .....	22,079.24	
Misc. Salaries of Instruction .....	896.37	
Principals .....	34,382.98	
Teachers .....	596,976.84	
Custodians and Matrons .....	76,604.40	
Health .....	10,547.64 \$	786,514.48

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#### Maintenance

Supt. Office Expenses .....	\$ 1,219.77	
Research and Prof. Study .....	300.00	
Printing .....	1,097.02	
Travel Expense .....	470.96	
Prin. Office Expenses .....	830.23	
Telephone .....	3,012.90	
Travel Expense — Enf. of Law .....	150.00 \$	7,080.88

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#### Instruction

Travel Exp. Directors and Prin. ....	\$ 815.72	
Textbooks and Supplementary Books .....	14,446.52	
Supplies — School .....	12,489.37	
Supplies — Shop .....	2,563.12	
Supplies — Dom. Science .....	759.83	
Audio-Visual .....	725.84	
Physical Ed Equipment .....	962.44	
Tests .....	926.93	
Instructional Apparatus .....	7,240.55	
Express Charges .....	123.83 \$	41,054.15

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### Operation of Plant

Fuel .....	\$	25,377.44	
Water and Sewer .....		1,632.56	
Electricity .....		12,892.64	
Gas .....		492.08	
Laundry and Summer Cleaning .....		326.45	
Ash Removal .....		354.75	
Exp. of Supr. of Bldgs. and Grounds .....		514.51	
Janitors' Supplies .....		6,942.69	\$ 48,533.12

### Maintenance of Plant

Grounds .....	\$	6,546.46	
Buildings .....		13,902.19	
Service System .....		840.58	
Plumbing and Heating .....		3,822.82	
Furniture Repair .....		648.69	\$ 25,760.74

### Auxiliary Agencies

Library .....	\$	1,868.43	
Health Expenses .....		622.22	
Commencement .....		464.01	\$ 2,954.66

### Capital Outlay

New Equipment and Furniture .....	\$	621.92	
Transportation .....		37,051.20	
Federal Aid For Schools .....		3,532.82	
Cafeterias .....		108,457.92	
Athletics .....		18,008.28	
Vocational Tuition .....		2,836.16	
Adult Education .....		557.13	
School and Recreation Site Com. Expense .....		161.00	
Highland School Fire Damage Plans & Surveys .....		5,000.00	
Highland School Fire Damage Repairs .....		3,000.00	
School Safety Equipment .....		6,000.00	
Total Schools .....		\$1,097,124.46	

### Library

#### Personal Services

Librarians .....	\$	10,280.78	
Clerical .....		6,169.25	
Janitor .....		2,880.80	\$ 19,330.83

#### Expense

Books, Records and Periodicals .....	\$	5,906.75	
Bindings and Repair .....		599.83	
Fuel .....		684.60	

Building Maintenance .....	1,176.67	
Printing and Supplies .....	894.43	
Service Contracts .....	240.40	
Telephone .....	190.35	
Light .....	262.56	
Water and Sewer .....	40.60	
Misc. ....	74.73 \$	10,070.92
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Total Library .....	\$	29,401.75

#### Unclassified

As in Appropriations & Expenditures Schedule	\$	169,049.02
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#### Light Department

Maintenance, Operation and Depreciation .....	\$1,672,158.29
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#### Cemeteries

##### Personal Services

Superintendent .....	\$	5,018.00	
Clerical .....		1,359.80	
Labor .....	16,951.41 \$		23,329.21

##### Expense

Office Maintenance and Supplies .....	\$	301.99	
Shop Maintenance .....		236.79	
Trucks and Tools Maintenance .....		1,278.92	
New Tools and Equipment .....		1,685.37	
Fert., Seed, Loam, Cement, Water, etc. ....		869.00	
Flowers for Perpetual and Annual Care Lots		92.50	
Grave Liners .....		932.38	
Repairs to Turf .....		48.50	
Vandalism .....		388.00	
New Oil Burner at 270 Pearl St. ....		450.00	
Cemetery Development and Improvement .....		395.17	
Miscellaneous Expense .....	120.16 \$		6,798.78
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Care of Soldiers' Graves .....		1,294.26
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Total Cemeteries .....	\$	31,422.25
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#### Municipal Indebtedness

##### Interest:

School Loan, Pearl St. ....	\$	175.00	
School Loan, Eaton .....		6,000.00	
School Loan, Memorial High .....		39,600.00	
School Loan, Birch Meadow .....		23,200.00	
Library Addition Loan .....		375.00	
Anticipation of Revenue Loan .....	2,478.12 \$		71,828.12
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**Maturing Debt:**

Sewer Loan, 1948 .....	\$ 4,000.00	
Sewer Loan, 1953 .....	20,000.00	
School Loan, Pearl St. ....	5,000.00	
School Loan, Eaton .....	25,000.00	
School Loan, Memorial High .....	110,000.00	
School Loan, Birch Meadow .....	40,000.00	
Library Addition Loan .....	10,000.00	\$ 214,000.00
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Anticipation of Revenue Loan .....		\$ 250,000.00
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Total Municipal Indebtedness .....		\$ 535,828.12

**Agency, Trust and Investment**

As in Appropriation and Expenditures Schedule	\$ 457,306.79
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**Non-Revenue Accounts**

Birch Meadow Development .....	\$ 22,431.65	
New High School Sewer Construction .....	17,638.12	
Highland School Building Repairs .....	116,973.68	
Birch Meadow School Construction .....	526,946.98	
Water Construction — Wells .....	262.62	
Mun. Light Dept. — Regular Construction .....	19,668.54	
Mun. Light Dept. — Special Construction .....	229,724.48	\$ 933,646.07
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**Refunds**

Taxes, Assessments, Public Service Enterprise	\$ 18,785.09	
Departmental .....	8,018.68	\$ 26,803.77
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Total Expenditures in 1957 .....		\$6,833,786.80

# **APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES**

	Balance Appropriated from 1956	1957	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance 12/31/57
<b>General Government</b>						
Selectmen's Clerical .....	\$	1,673.00			\$ 1,665.00	\$ 8.00
Selectmen's Expense .....		2,000.00			1,999.16	.84
Town Accountant's Salary .....		5,145.50			5,145.50	—
Town Accountant's Clerical .....		807.30			807.30	—
Town Accountant's Expense .....		600.00			590.82	9.18
Treasurer's Salary .....		3,000.00			3,000.00	—
Treasurer's Clerical .....		1,400.00			1,306.91	93.09
Treasurer's Expense .....		1,400.00	\$ 165.00		1,559.46	5.54
Collector's Salary .....		5,100.00			5,100.00	—
Collector's Clerical .....		7,614.00			7,404.50	209.50
Collector's Expense .....		2,400.00		200.00	2,586.80	13.20
Assessors' Salaries .....		4,743.75			4,743.75	—
Assessors' Clerical .....		6,934.30			6,934.30	—
Assessors' Expense .....		3,350.00			2,796.74	553.26
Town Counsel's Salary .....		3,750.00			3,750.00	—
Town Counsel's Expense .....		2,000.00			2,000.00	—
Town Clerk's Salary .....		2,225.00			2,225.00	—
Town Clerk's Clerical .....		3,559.00			3,351.60	207.40
Town Clerk's Expense .....		850.00			849.84	.16
Registrars' Salaries .....		500.00			500.00	—
Registrars' Expense .....		2,200.00			1,881.44	318.56
Election and Registration Expense .....		2,500.00	2,577.26		5,077.26	—
Board of Appeals Expense .....		350.00	104.42		454.42	—
Planning Board Expense .....		500.00			592.90	170.60
Capital Expenditures Plan. Com. Expense	\$ 263.50	300.00			195.99	104.01

Finance Committee Expense .....	100.00	58.10	41.90
Personnel Board Expense .....	50.00	25.00	25.00
Municipal Building Janitor .....	3,276.00	3,451.00	—
Municipal Building Maintenance .....	4,000.00	3,988.71	11.29
Community Center Maintenance .....	6,075.26	14,606.33	1,658.06
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\$ 6,338.76 \$	77,327.85 \$	\$ 88,647.83 \$	3,429.59

### Protection of Persons and Property

Police Dept. Salaries .....	\$ 118,454.85	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 116,415.85	\$ 539.00
Police Dept. Pensions .....	7,988.24		7,988.24	—
Police Dept. Maintenance .....	12,495.00	\$ 1,000.00	13,482.22	12.78
Police Station Janitor's Salary .....	1,200.00		1,200.00	—
Police Station Maintenance .....	1,760.00	500.00	2,247.98	12.02
Police, New Uniforms, Art. 12 .....	369.34		1,819.60	499.74
Police, New Station Wagon, Art. 8, '56 .....	43.00		—	8.31
Police, New Ambulance, Art. 19, '56 .....	367.31		—	—
Police, New Cruising Car No. 1 .....			1,500.00	—
Police, New Cruising Car. No. 2 .....			1,100.00	—
Police, New Station Wagon, Art. 10 .....			1,000.00	—
Traffic Signal Cable Installation .....		10,000.00		10,000.00
Fire Dept. Salaries .....	107,160.75		104,100.60	1,940.15
Fire Dept. Callmen Salaries .....	6,800.00		5,816.64	3.36
Fire Dept. Pensions .....	1,375.00		1,375.00	—
Fire Dept. Maintenance .....	11,700.00	1,500.00	13,199.27	.73
Fire Stations Maintenance .....	3,850.00		3,507.55	342.45
Fire Alarm Maintenance Salaries .....	2,850.00	600.00	3,340.08	109.92
Fire Alarm Maintenance Expense .....	4,160.00		4,133.81	26.19
Fire Alarm Extension Salaries .....	1,000.00		1,000.00	—
Fire Alarm Extension Expense .....	600.00		580.56	19.44
Fire Dept. New Uniforms, Art. 13 .....	677.43		925.29	452.14

	Balance Appropriated		Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance 12/31/57
	from 1956	1957				
New Fire Station Construction .....	54,247.75		90,000.00		143,267.41	930.34
New Pumping Fire Engine .....	19,997.29				19,122.07	875.22
New Station Wagon, Art. 11 .....		1,975.00			1,957.00	18.00
Tree and Moth Dept. Salaries .....		22,644.90			22,644.90	—
Tree and Moth Dept. Expense .....		5,500.00			5,362.41	137.59
Town Forest, Special .....	646.20		200.00		777.75	68.45
Town Forest Land Purchase .....	100.00				—	100.00
Dutch Elm Control .....	2,082.82				6,773.82	3,809.00
Mosquito Control .....	720.00				720.00	700.00
Hydrant Rental .....		6,765.00			6,765.00	—
Drinking Fountains .....		100.00			100.00	—
Inspector of Buildings Salary .....		4,187.50			4,187.50	—
Inspector of Buildings Expense .....		680.00			515.97	164.03
Inspector of Wires Salary .....		925.00			925.00	—
Inspector of Wires Expense .....		350.00			336.70	13.30
Scaler of Weights and Meas. Salary .....		700.00			700.00	—
Scaler of Weights and Meas. Expense .....		250.00			211.70	38.30
Dog Officer's Salary .....		375.00			375.00	—
Dog Officer's Expense .....		400.00	200.00		598.47	1.53
Game Warden's Salary .....		105.00			105.00	—
Civil Defense .....	2,373.41	1,000.00	500.00		1,115.22	2,758.19
Traffic Control .....		5,600.00		500.00	4,683.50	416.50
	\$ 81,624.55 \$	348,401.24 \$	104,500.00 \$	4,502.00 \$	505,977.11 \$	24,046.63
<b>Health and Sanitation</b>						
Board of Health Salaries .....		\$ 2,525.00		\$	2,525.00 \$	—
Board of Health Expense .....		700.00			693.00	7.00

Health Officer's Salary .....	700.00	699.96	.04
Premature Babies .....	500.00	—	500.00
Care of Contagious Diseases .....	3,000.00	2,961.38	38.62
Garbage Collection .....	16,850.00	16,850.00	—
Dental Clinic .....	3,200.00	3,197.50	2.50
Child Welfare, Art. 44 .....	600.00	600.00	—
Inspector of Animals Salary .....	400.00	400.00	—
Inspector of Milk and Food Salary .....	350.00	350.00	—
Inspector of Milk and Food Expense .....	50.00	50.00	—
Inspector of Plumbing Salary .....	1,500.00	1,500.00	—
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	\$ 30,375.00	\$ 29,826.84	\$ 548.16

### Charities and Aid

General Aid Adm. Salaries .....	\$ 1,946.50	\$ 1,791.03	\$ 155.47
General Aid Adm. Expense .....	600.00	418.31	181.69
General Aid .....	16,000.00	15,543.68	456.32
Aid to Dep. Children, Adm. ....	6,600.00	5,177.60	1,572.40
Aid to Dep. Children, Aid .....	17,000.00	15,197.33	1,802.67
A.D.C. Adm., Federal Grants .....		736.05	846.66
A.D.C. Aid, Federal Grants .....	\$ 1,149.21	14,268.15	1,246.95
Disability Assistance, Adm. ....		1,386.46	913.54
Disability Assistance, Aid .....	2,300.00	12,021.27	2,478.73
D.A. Adm., Federal Grants .....	12,000.00	411.88	489.22
D.A. Aid, Federal Grants .....	45.50	4,694.68	550.45
Old Age Assistance, Adm. ....		2,566.72	2,483.28
Old Age Assistance, Aid .....	5,000.00		
O.A.A. Adm. Federal Grants .....	125,500.00	120,985.71	4,194.52
O.A.A. Aid Federal Grants .....	4,405.37	12,489.16	—
	6,648.94	78,132.08	6,947.38
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\$ 12,249.02	\$ 186,946.50	\$ 112,938.92	\$ 24,319.28
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		2,500.00	\$ 285,315.16
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			24,319.28



	Balance Appropriated from 1956	1957	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance 12/31/57
<b>Veterans' Benefits</b>						
Administrative Salaries .....	\$	2,438.20		\$	2,438.20	\$
Administrative Expense .....		750.00			432.57	317.43
Aid .....		14,000.00	\$	1,200.00	15,058.29	141.71
	\$	17,188.20	\$	1,200.00		459.14
<b>Education — Schools</b>						
General Salaries .....	\$	793,278.52	\$	5,000.00	786,514.48	1,764.04
General Maintenance .....		126,139.10			126,005.47	133.63
Transportation .....		33,836.00	\$	5,000.00	37,051.20	1,784.80
Federal Aid for Schools .....				17,714.00	3,532.82	14,181.18
Cafeterias .....	\$	12,286.07		103,149.95	108,457.92	10,053.10
Athletics .....		1,723.17		6,873.17	18,008.28	1,088.06
Vocational Tuition .....		3,000.00			2,836.16	163.84
Adult Education, Art. 12, 5/6/57 .....		200.00		800.00	557.13	442.87
School and Recreation Site Com. Expense .....		816.62			161.00	655.62
Jr. High School Addition Plans & Surveys .....				7,500.00		7,500.00
Highland Sch. Fire Dam. Plans & Surveys .....				5,000.00	5,000.00	
Highland School Fire Damage Repairs ...				3,000.00	3,000.00	
School Safety Equipment .....				6,000.00	6,000.00	
	\$	14,825.86	\$	155,037.12	\$	37,767.14
<b>Public Library</b>						
Salaries .....	\$	20,853.21		\$	19,330.83	1,522.38
Maintenance .....		9,580.00	\$	494.25	10,070.92	3.33
	\$	30,433.21	\$	494.25	\$	1,525.71

## Public Works

Administrative Salaries .....	\$ 10,186.00			\$ 10,183.48	\$ 2.52
Administrative Expense .....	2,300.00			1,934.46	365.54
Pensions .....	7,085.52			7,085.52	—
Engineering Division Salaries .....	25,251.20			24,680.58	570.62
Engineering Division Expense .....	2,660.00			2,523.63	136.37
Highway Maint. and Oper. Salaries .....	56,100.00	\$	4,000.00	59,914.85	185.15
Highway Maint. and Oper. Expense .....	43,900.00		2,000.00	44,840.96	1,059.04
Chapter 90 Construction, 1955 .....	\$ 25,599.45			25,599.45	—
Chapter 90 Construction, 1956 .....	27,000.00			18,784.65	8,215.35
Chapter 90 Construction, 1957 .....			22,500.00	1,746.84	28,253.16
West, Willow and Summer Culvert Const.				4,492.80	507.20
Chapter 90 Maintenance, 1957 .....			3,000.00	4,500.00	—
Snow and Ice Removal Salaries .....				23,838.82	5,361.18
Snow and Ice Removal Expense .....	30,800.00			26,281.61	4,518.39
Sewer Maint. and Oper. Salaries .....	8,200.00			6,120.59	1,379.41
Sewer Maint. and Oper. Expense .....	8,800.00		700.00	9,347.10	152.90
Sewer Extension and Const. Salaries .....	47,000.00		700.00	25,570.29	21,429.71
Sewer Extension and Const. Expense .....	53,000.00			48,331.57	4,668.43
Sewer House Connection Salaries .....	18,900.00			13,668.95	5,231.05
Sewer House Connection Expense .....	18,600.00			13,525.75	5,074.25
Maintenance of Storm Drains Salaries ...	9,200.00			9,200.00	—
Maintenance of Storm Drains Expense ...	3,500.00			3,489.54	10.46
Drainage Construction Salaries .....	18,000.00			18,000.00	—
Drainage Construction Expense .....	22,000.00			21,993.85	6.15
Sidewalk Maintenance Salaries .....	4,800.00			4,682.68	117.32
Sidewalk Maintenance Expense .....	3,200.00			2,904.88	295.12
Sidewalk Construction Salaries .....	6,500.00			6,494.85	5.15
Sidewalk Construction Expense .....	5,500.00			5,500.00	—
John St. Dump Wages .....	7,250.00			7,250.00	—

	Balance Appropriated from 1956	1957	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance 12/31/57
John St. Dump Expense .....		1,600.00			1,500.89	99.11
Park Dept. Salaries .....		16,800.00		800.00	15,445.47	554.53
Park Dept. Expense .....		11,200.00	800.00		11,235.87	764.13
Parking Areas Cleaning Wages, Art. 74		562.50			540.24	22.26
Parking Areas Cleaning Expense, Art. 74		187.50			187.50	—
Water Maint. and Operation Salaries .....		47,451.38	15,548.62		63,000.00	—
Water Maint. and Operation Expense .....		44,700.00	4,000.00		48,569.26	130.74
Water Construction Salaries .....		20,000.00			14,209.35	5,790.65
Water Construction Expense .....		70,939.66	2,560.94		69,180.78	4,319.22
Water Debt and Interest .....		24,447.50			24,447.50	—
Water Dept. Garage .....	38,930.97					38,930.97
Road Machinery Fund .....	35,787.11		46,198.59	39,087.11	—	42,898.59
Street Lighting .....		17,000.00			17,000.00	—
Road Machinery Oper. Acct. ....	26.26	26,512.89	39,087.11		65,614.35	11.91
Sewer Plans and Surveys, Art. 5 .....			6,000.00		—	6,000.00
Birch Meadow Brook Land Purchase .....	900.00				—	900.00
Consulting Engineering Services, Art. 75		7,500.00			5,946.93	1,553.07
South St. Relocation, Art. 38, 1955 .....		500.00		125.00	375.00	—
Birch Meadow Skating Area, Art. 36, 1955		1,690.35			993.92	696.43
Birch Meadow Drive Const., Art. 41, 1955		1,364.17			1,364.17	—
Arthur B. Lord Drive Const., Art. 11, 1956		15,029.86		5,029.86	8,349.02	1,650.98
Fluoridation System Installation .....		3,450.00			4,168.31	381.69
Birch Meadow Drain Culvert Const. Sals.		450.08			155.91	294.17
Birch Meadow Drain Culvert Const. Exp.		62.03				62.03
Jacob Way Const. Salaries, Art. 23, 1956		14,900.00		3,000.00	3,355.52	8,544.48
Jacob Way Const. Expense .....		15,738.75	3,000.00		9,559.46	9,179.29
John Carver Rd. Bett. Sals. ....	378.57			378.57	—	—

John Carver Rd. Bett. Exp. ....  
 Overlook Rd. Bett. Sals. ....  
 Overlook Rd. Bett. Exp. ....  
 Mineral St. Bridge Repairs, Sals. ....  
 Mineral St. Bridge Repairs, Exp. ....  
 Margaret Road Bett. Sals. ....  
 Margaret Road Bett. Exp. ....  
 Martin Road Bett. Sals. ....  
 Martin Road Bett. Exp. ....  
 Pine Ridge Road Bett. Sals. ....  
 Pine Ridge Road Bett. Exp. ....  
 Grant St. Bett. Sals. ....  
 Grant St. Bett. Exp. ....  
 Indiana Ave. Bett. Sals. ....  
 Indiana Ave. Bett. Exp. ....  
 Gleason Road Betterment .....  
 Sturges Road Betterment .....  
 Richards Road Betterment .....  
 Tamarack Road Betterment .....  
 Timberneck Road Betterment .....  
 Irving Street Betterment .....  
 Catherine Avenue Betterment .....  
 Cottage Park Betterment .....  
 Selfridge Road Betterment .....  
 Susan Drive Betterment .....  
 Juniper Circle Betterment .....  
 Milton Road Betterment .....  
 Harvard Street Betterment .....  
 Water Main Const. to Industrial Area .....

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	Balance Appropriated from 1956	1957	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance 12/31/57
Water Main Const. to Business "C" Area, South St. ....			18,000.00		15,174.61	2,825.39
Birch Meadow Drive Extension .....			48,950.00		40,643.84	8,306.16
Lowell St. Culvert Construction .....			11,000.00		11,000.00	—
Relocation of South St. ....			200.00		200.00	—
Summer Avenue Construction .....			43,167.81		1,436.00	41,731.81
Water Adequacy Study .....			4,000.00		2,482.29	1,517.71
	<u>\$ 189,944.16</u>	<u>\$ 814,769.80</u>	<u>\$ 281,135.01</u>	<u>\$ 50,270.24</u>	<u>\$ 953,350.28</u>	<u>\$ 282,228.45</u>
<b>Cemeteries</b>						
Salaries .....	\$	22,500.00	\$ 910.00	\$	23,329.21	\$ 80.79
Maintenance .....		2,500.00	4,308.67		6,798.78	9.89
Care of Soldiers' Graves, Art. 15 .....		1,300.00			1,294.26	5.74
	<u>\$</u>	<u>26,300.00</u>	<u>\$ 5,218.67</u>	<u>\$</u>	<u>31,422.25</u>	<u>\$ 96.42</u>
<b>Unclassified</b>						
Recreation — Playgrounds, Sals. ....	\$	6,440.50		\$	6,171.50	\$ 269.00
Recreation — Playgrounds, Exp. ....		1,800.00			1,659.87	140.13
Insurance .....		30,000.00	\$ 23,509.18		53,393.61	115.57
Memorial Day Observance .....		2,290.00			2,251.55	38.45
Damage Claims .....		2,000.00	2,200.00		2,450.00	1,750.00
Care and Lighting Old South Clock .....		200.00			193.44	6.56
Printing Town Report .....		1,860.00	402.00		2,262.00	—
Printing Street List .....		900.00			874.90	25.10
Aid to Agriculture, Art. 45 .....		100.00			96.00	4.00
Parking Areas Maintenance .....		400.00	121.67		521.67	—



Legion Quarters Rent, Art. 48 .....	1,500.00	1,500.00	—
V.F.W. Quarters Rent, Art. 47 .....	660.00	660.00	—
Contributory Retirement, Pension Fund ....	51,062.00	51,062.00	—
Contributory Retirement, Expense Fund ..	1,600.00	1,600.00	—
Land Court Expense, Art. 6 .....	200.00	100.00	100.00
Recording Fees — Registry of Deeds .....	100.00	100.00	—
Christmas Lighting, Art. 18 .....	500.00	500.00	—
Sewerage System Extension Study .....	\$ 3,000.00	1,838.31	1,161.69
Damage Claim, Mary L. Borg, Art. 28 .....	2,500.00	2,500.00	—
New Heating System, Old High School ....	25,000.00	24,980.00	20.00
Group Insurance — Chapter 32B, Art. 29			
Appropriation Account .....	15,000.00	98.70	13,292.12
Senior High School Dedication, Art. 42 ...	1,400.00	200.00	1,142.05
Reserve Fund .....		25,000.00	11,927.27
		13,072.73	
\$ 28,000.00 \$ 120,512.50 \$ 51,331.55 \$ 13,372.73 \$ 169,049.02 \$ 17,422.30			

### Municipal Indebtedness

Interest, not incl. Sewer, Water and Light	\$ 73,850.00	\$ 2,000.00	\$ 71,828.12	\$ 21.88
Maturing Debt, not incl. Water and Light	214,000.00	\$ 28.00	214,000.00	28.00
Loans in Anticipation of Revenue .....		250,000.00	250,000.00	—
\$ 287,850.00 \$ 250,028.00 \$ 2,000.00 \$ 535,828.12 \$ 49.88				

### Agency, Trust and Investment

Dog Licenses due County .....	\$ 196.80	\$ 3,456.20	\$ 3,622.00	\$ 31.00
Sporting Licenses due State .....	84.00	1,758.50	1,758.50	84.00
Parker Hospital Fund, Income .....	2,280.75	5,311.66	2,438.00	5,154.41
Parker Hospital Fund, Transactions .....		22,000.00	22,000.00	—
Grouard Hospital Fund, Income .....		2,647.07	2,647.07	—
Grouard Hospital Fund, Transactions .....		38,000.00	38,000.00	—

	Balance Appropriated from 1956	1957	Other Credits	Transfers	Payments	Balance 12/31/57
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund, Bequests	100.00		7,230.00		7,320.00	10.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fd, Transactions			9,000.00		9,000.00	—
Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund, Interest	90.20		2,882.80		2,973.00	—
R.H.S. Scholarship Fund .....			153.75		153.75	—
Kenneth L. Brown Award Fund .....			50.00		50.00	—
Stephen Foster Hospital Fund .....	43.14		86.25		129.39	—
Stephen Foster Library Fund .....	158.13		316.25		474.38	—
Torrey Library Fund .....	16.25		32.50		48.75	—
Tailings .....	590.43		63.17		52.79	600.51
Teachers' Retirement Withholding .....			9,342.86		9,342.86	—
Withholding Taxes .....	15,899.62		199,215.57		196,828.58	18,286.61
Blue Cross — Blue Shield .....	2,053.40		10,133.10		12,186.50	—
Group Insurance .....			21,175.96		18,003.76	3,172.20
Salvage Committee Fund .....	6,819.87		229.77		135.00	6,914.64
Metropolitan Sewerage .....			39,561.89		39,965.37	(403.48)
State Parks and Reservations .....			5,309.25		5,565.01	(255.76)
State Audit of Mun. Accounts .....			3,655.04		3,655.04	—
State Examination of Retirement .....			85.55		85.55	—
County T.B. Hospital .....			16,171.31		15,170.72	1,000.59
County Tax .....			59,977.21		65,700.77	(5,723.56)
	<u>\$ 28,332.59</u>		<u>\$ 457,845.66</u>		<u>\$ 457,306.79</u>	<u>\$ 28,871.46</u>
<b>Light Department</b>						
Maintenance .....			\$1,748,201.62	\$ 159,455.64	\$1,588,745.98	—
Depreciation .....	\$ 35,558.33		159,455.64	52,464.99	83,412.31	\$ 59,136.67
	<u>\$ 35,558.33</u>		<u>\$1,907,657.26</u>	<u>\$ 211,920.63</u>	<u>\$1,672,158.29</u>	<u>\$ 59,136.67</u>

## Non-Revenue Accounts

New High School Construction .....	\$	22,885.90					
New High School Sewer Construction .....		19,205.04					
Highland School Building Repairs .....							
Birch Meadow School Construction .....		621,330.22					
Water Construction — Wells .....		262.62					
Light Construction — Regular .....		15,308.98					
Light Construction — Special (1955) .....		540.69					
Light Construction — Special (1956) .....		218,081.05					
		<u>897,614.50</u>					
	\$	218,002.99	\$	2,097.61	\$	933,646.07	\$ 179,873.81

## Refunds

Taxes, Assts. Public Service Ent., etc. ....	\$	18,785.09	\$	18,785.09
Departmental .....		8,018.68		8,018.68
	\$	26,803.77	\$	26,803.77
TOTALS .....	\$1 294 487 77	\$2 910 132 92	\$3 580 604 01	\$ 291 663 21 \$6 833 786 80 \$ 659,774 69

TOTALS	\$1,294,487.77	\$2,910,132.92	\$3,580,604.01	\$291,663.21	\$6,833,786.80	\$659,774.69
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## REPORT OF THE CONTRIBUTORY RETIREMENT BOARD

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen:

The total active membership of the Contributory Retirement System on December 31, 1957 was two hundred and seventy-eight.

The following is the financial statement for the year ending December 31, 1957:

<b>Cash</b>		
Balance January 1, 1957 .....		\$ 6,755.89
<b>Receipts</b>		
1957 Receipts:		
Investments .....	\$ 14,000.00	
Investment Income .....	11,470.68	
Contributions by members .....	42,827.44	
City of Melrose .....	93.56	
Make-up payments .....	1,550.40	
Appropriated by Town:		
Pension Fund .....	51,062.00	
Expense Fund .....	1,600.00	122,604.08
		<hr/> \$129,359.97
<b>Expenditures</b>		
1957 Payments:		
Investments .....	\$ 40,207.24	
Expenses .....	1,758.44	
Annuities Paid .....	5,098.75	
Pensions Paid .....	62,502.01	
Refunds .....	11,123.36	
Essex County Retirement System .....	355.52	
Trans. to other Systems .....	2,676.50	
		<hr/> \$123,721.82
Balance December 31, 1957 .....		5,638.15
		<hr/> \$129,359.97
<b>Assets</b>		
Cash, Middlesex County Nat. Bank, Reading ....	\$ 5,638.15	
Deposits on interest .....	26,000.00	
Paid-up Cooperative Bank Shares .....	114,000.00	
U. S. Savings Bonds .....	203,000.00	
Bank Stocks .....	35,960.26	
Stock .....	8,095.30	
Accrued interest on investments .....	1,582.40	
		<hr/> \$394,276.11

### Liabilities

Annuity Savings .....	\$298,121.56	
Annuity Reserve .....	53,915.88	
Pension Fund .....	38,501.60	
Expense Fund .....	62.42	
Special Military Service Credits .....	3,674.65	
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		\$394,276.11

### Contributory Retirement Board

DONALD C. MITCHELL, Chairman  
BOYD H. STEWART, Secretary  
ARTHUR C. ALDRICH

## STATEMENT OF TRUST FUNDS

### Gilman L. Parker Hospital Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....		\$ 241,639.66
Receipts:		
Income from U.S. Savings Bonds and Notes .... \$	2,539.34	
Income from Savings Banks .....	3,208.97	
Income from Stock .....	351.00	
Income from Co-op. Bank Paid-up Shares ....	2,080.82	
Reimbursement .....	200.00	\$ 8,380.13
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Discount on U.S. Treasury Notes .....		53.12
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		\$ 250,072.91
Disbursements:		
Hospital Bills .....	\$ 300.00	
Safe Deposit Rent .....	10.00	\$ 310.00
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Balance, December 31, 1957 .....		\$ 249,762.91

### Invested as Follows:

U.S. Savings Bonds .....	\$ 20,000.00	
U.S. Treasury Notes .....	51,000.00	
Savings Banks .....	102,529.06	
Co-op. Bank Paid-up Shares, 335 .....	67,000.00	
First National Bank of Boston, 108 Shares ....	4,066.44	
Home Bleach and Dye Works, Pfd., 2 Shares	11.00	
Sharpe Mfg. Co., Preferred, 55 Shares .....	1.00	
Sharpe Mfg. Co., Common, 20 Shares .....	1.00	
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In General Cash .....	5,154.41	\$ 249,762.91

### Anne S. Grouard Hospital Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....		\$ 97,150.78
Receipts:		
Income from U.S. Savings .....	\$ 2,157.50	



Income from Savings Banks .....	414.13	
Income from Co-op. Bank Paid-up Shares .....	65.00	
Discount on U.S. Treasury Notes .....	118.75	2,755.38
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Balance, December 31, 1957 .....		\$ 99,906.16
Invested as Follows:		
U.S. Savings Bonds .....	\$ 44,500.00	
U.S. Treasury Notes .....	38,000.00	
Savings Banks .....	15,406.16	
Co-op. Bank Paid-up Shares .....	2,000.00	\$ 99,906.16
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#### Cemetery Perpetual Care Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....		\$ 167,993.51
Receipts:		
Bequests .....	\$ 7,230.00	
Income from U.S. Savings Bonds and Notes ....	1,407.26	
Income from Savings Banks .....	2,334.07	
Income from Co-op. Bank Paid-up Shares .....	1,374.98	
Discount on U.S. Treasury Notes .....	28.12	\$ 12,374.43
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		\$ 180,367.94
Disbursements:		
For Work on Endowed Lots .....		\$ 3,218.67
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Balance, December 31, 1957 .....		\$ 177,149.27
Invested as Follows:		
U.S. Savings Bonds .....	\$ 46,000.00	
U.S. Treasury Notes .....	9,000.00	
Savings Banks .....	79,139.27	
Co-op. Bank Paid-up Shares .....	43,000.00	
In General Cash .....	10.00	\$ 177,149.27
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#### Stephen Foster Hospital Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....		\$ 3,917.36
Receipts:		
Income from U.S. Treasury Notes .....	\$ 86.25	
Income from Savings Banks .....	27.93	\$ 114.18
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Balance, December 31, 1957 .....		\$ 4,031.54
Invested as Follows:		
U.S. Treasury Notes .....	\$ 3,000.00	
Savings Bank .....	1,031.54	\$ 4,031.54
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#### R.H.S. Scholarship Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$ 5,447.31
Receipts — Income from Savings Banks .....	162.20
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Balance, December 31, 1957, in Savings Banks	\$ 5,609.51

### Kenneth L. Brown Award Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	1,019.93
Receipts:		
Income from U.S. Treasury Bond .....	\$	25.00
Income from Savings Bank .....		.43
		25.43
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	\$	1,045.36
Paid Student Award .....		25.00
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Balance, December 31, 1957 .....	\$	1,020.36
Invested as Follows:		
U.S. Treasury Bond .....	\$	1,000.00
Savings Bank .....		20.36
	\$	1,020.36
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### Ethel E. Grant Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	38,833.63
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank .....		1,223.01
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Balance, December 31, 1957, in Savings Bank ....	\$	40,056.64

### Public Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	1,086.19
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank .....		34.20
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	\$	1,120.39
Payment for Books .....		94.25
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Balance, December 31, 1957, in Savings Bank ....	\$	1,026.14

### Horace G. Wadlin Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	1,831.71
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank .....		57.68
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	\$	1,889.39
Payment for Books .....		100.00
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Balance, December 31, 1957, in Savings Bank ....	\$	1,789.39

### Donald L. Tuttle, Jr. Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	619.88
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank .....		18.73
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Balance, December 31, 1957, in Savings Bank ....	\$	638.61

### Edward L. Appleton Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	5,181.30
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank .....		176.33
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	\$	5,357.63
Payment for Record Library .....		200.00
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Balance, December 31, 1957, in Savings Bank ....	\$	5,157.63

### Charles Torrey Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	1,087.92
Receipts:		
Income from U.S. Treasury Bond .....	\$	32.50
Income from Savings Bank .....		2.79
		35.29
Payment for Books .....		100.00
		\$ 1,123.21
Balance, December 31, 1957 .....	\$	1,023.21
Invested as Follows:		
U.S. Treasury Bond .....	\$	1,000.00
Savings Bank .....		23.21
		\$ 1,023.21

### Stephen Foster Library Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	12,150.26
Receipts:		
Income from U.S. Treasury Notes .....	\$	316.25
Income from Savings Bank .....		35.53
		351.78
Balance, December 31, 1957 .....	\$	12,502.04
Invested as follows:		
U. S. Treasury Notes .....	\$	11,000.00
Savings Bank .....		1,502.04
		\$ 12,502.04

### Post War Rehabilitation Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	711.50
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank .....		21.50
		733.00
Balance, December 31, 1957, in Savings Bank ....	\$	733.00

### Stabilization Fund

Balance, January 1, 1957 .....	\$	92,978.93
Receipts — Income from Savings Bank .....		1,604.13
		\$ 94,583.06
For New Fire Station Construction .....		90,000.00
		\$ 4,583.06
Balance, December 31, 1957, in Savings Banks ....	\$	4,583.06

I hereby certify that in accordance with the provisions of Section 53, Chapter 41 of the General Laws, I have audited the accounts of the Commissioners of Trust Funds and report the foregoing to be a true and accurate statement as of December 31, 1957.

BOYD H. STEWART,  
Town Accountant



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